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STANDARD FORMAT FOR A QUALITY ASSURANCE PROTOCOL		
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Standard format for a quality assurance protocol

	WHO/XXX PQS Quality assurance protocol	Original: English Distribution: General
TITLE: <Description>		
<i>Product verification protocol:</i>	<PQS category>/<unique reference>	
<i>Applies to specification ref(s):</i>	<PQS category>/<unique reference>	
<i>Issue date:</i>	<Date>	
<i>Date of last revision:</i>	<Date>	
-	Contents: <list the content down to level 1.1.1>	
1.	Scope: <briefly describe the purpose of the quality assurance protocol>	
2.	Normative references: < list ISO/IEC and other standards that apply to the protocol and list any other relevant WHO product verification protocols>	
3.	Terms and definitions: <define any specific terms used in the protocol, particularly terms which may not be widely understood>	
4.	Applicability: <state who will carry out the quality assurance assessment and (where relevant) state who will carry out on-site inspection of the manufacturer’s production facilities and site work>	
5.	Specification checklist	
5.1	<u>Specification requirements:</u> <list the performance specification requirements against which manufacturers’ own specifications are to be checked>	
5.2	<u>Criteria for qualification:</u> <state the minimum requirements for prequalification>	
6.	Quality control checklist	
6.1	<u>Quality control standards:</u> < list acceptable quality control standards (e.g. ISO 9001) and state the form in which evidence of conformity is to be provided>	
6.2	<u>Manufacturing quality control checklist:</u> <list the production quality control features that are to be checked. State whether on-site inspection of the production facility is required>	
6.3	<u>Site work quality control checklist:</u> <list the site work quality control features that are to be checked. State whether on-site inspection of an assembly site(s) is required. Including ergonomic, health and safety and ‘universal design’ features>	
6.4	<u>Criteria for qualification:</u> <state the minimum requirements for prequalification, including provision of evidence of ‘approved installer’ status>	
7.	Customer reference checklist	



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- 7.1 Number of references: <specify the minimum number of customer references that are required>
 - 7.2 Reference questionnaire: <draw up the questionnaire to be circulated to selected customers>
 - 7.3 Questionnaire evaluation: <state how questionnaire results are to be evaluated>
 - 8. **Prequalification evaluation:** <state the overall minimum criteria for prequalification taking account of results from Clauses 5.2, 6.4 and 7.3 and including any weighting system that may be needed >
 - 9. **Modified products:** <describe the procedure for re-checking manufacturers that are already prequalified, but who have subsequently modified their product. This procedure may not involve full re-verification.>
- Annexes:** < as required>

Revision history

Date	Change summary	Reason for change	Approved
dd mm yy	< change item> < etc.>	< reason for change> < etc.>	<name>

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