



ATF-LS-3.0 Key Terms and Definitions	Published Online: March 2018
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1. Purpose

1.1. The purpose of this document is to define terms used throughout ATF quality documents. It is intended to ensure clarity and consistency of terminology.

2. Scope

2.1. This document applies to all policies, procedures, work instructions, guidelines and other quality documents. When different definitions are given in reference documents, the definition in the ATF List of key terms and definitions or the most stringent definition shall apply.

3. References

The FBI Quality Assurance Standards Audit for Forensic DNA Testing Laboratories, 2011.

ISO/IEC 17025 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories, 2005.

ASCLD/LAB-*International* Supplemental Requirements for the Accreditation of Forensic Science Testing Laboratories, 2011.

ANAB ISO/IES 17025-Forensic Science Testing Laboratories Accreditation Requirements, AR3028, 2017.

ATF List of key terms and definitions

ATF LS technical discipline glossaries, definitions and abbreviations lists

4. Procedure

4.1. Key terms and definitions

4.1.1. Laboratory Services shall maintain a list of key terms and definitions that are used in quality documents and procedures.

4.2. Discipline-specific abbreviations

4.2.1. Where necessary, list of abbreviations used shall be developed and maintained with discipline-specific procedures.

5. Controls

Not applicable.