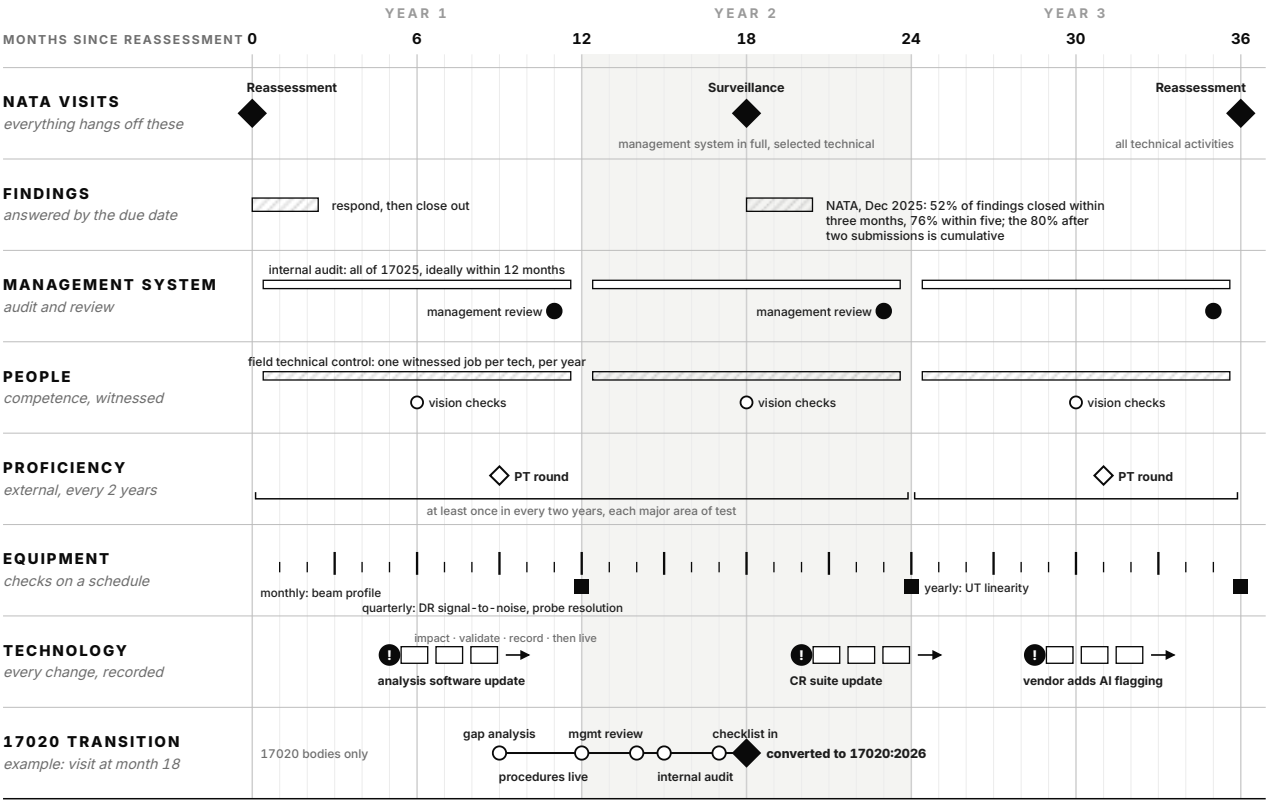
CALENDAR

THE NDT ACCREDITATION CALENDAR

Three years of keeping accreditation, on one page.

For NATA-accredited NDT laboratories and inspection bodies. Put your last reassessment at month 0, then mark the rest. The next pages turn it into your own calendar, a transition plan, and a record for every technology change.



◆ NATA visit or conversion ● review or check ▭ rolling program ❗ technology change ■ yearly equipment check

OUR LAST REASSESSMENT	NEXT VISIT (SURVEILLANCE / REASSESSMENT)	17020 BODY? FIRST VISIT UNDER 2026

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Put your own names and dates on it.

Write a name beside every row, then the name of who does it when that person is away. Circle any row where both names are the same, or the second is blank.

YOUR DATES

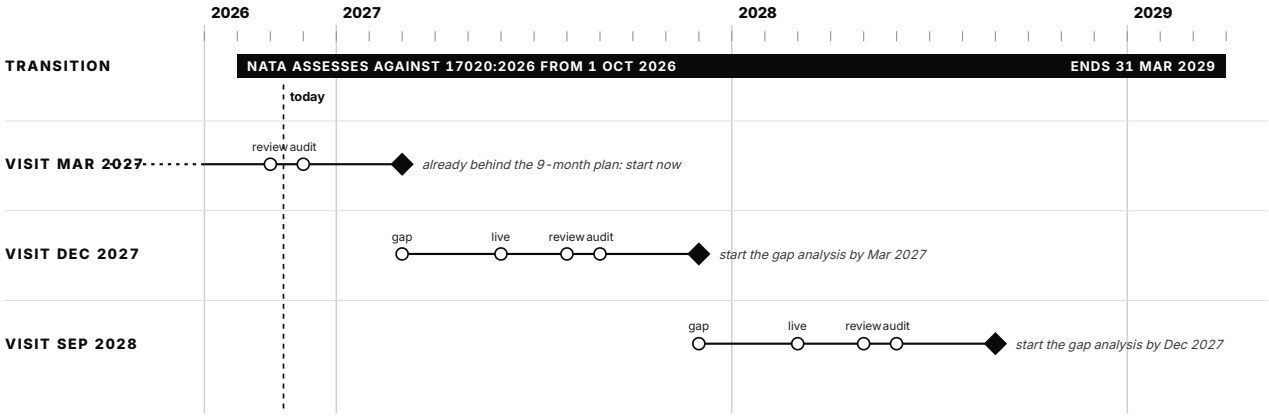
WHEN	OBLIGATION	WHO	BACKUP	LAST DONE	NEXT DUE
Every job	Report authorised before release				
Every job	Job record complete, incl. software version				
Monthly	UT beam profile (where profile sizing used)				
Quarterly	DR SNR; probe resolution				
Ongoing	RT check viewing sample (2–20%+)				
Yearly	Internal audit, all of 17025				
Yearly	Management review				
Yearly	One witnessed field job per tech				
Yearly	Vision checks, all testing staff				
Yearly	UT linearity				
2 years	External proficiency testing				
5 years	Competency reassessment, each method				
On change	Software update: impact, validate, record				
14 days	Notify NATA of significant change				

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WORKSHEET B 30 MINUTES · QUALITY LEAD

Plan the transition back from the visit.

For a 17020 inspection body, the first visit after 1 October 2026 is the conversion. The transition ends 31 March 2029. Testing labs can use the same sheet to get ready for the NDT annex software clauses.



gap = gap analysis (9 months out) · live = new procedures generating records (6) · review = management review with new inputs (4) · audit = internal audit (3)

STEP	MONTHS BEFORE VISIT	DATE	OWNER	EVIDENCE IT'S DONE
Gap analysis against NATA's gap analysis	*9*			*Marked-up manual, list of gaps*

Then: new procedures live (6), management review with new inputs (4), internal audit (3), Implementation Checklist completed and declaration signed, visit.

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WORKSHEET C 10 MINUTES A CHANGE · LEVEL 3

Record every technology change before it reaches the field.

One row per change: a software update, a new instrument feature, a new tool or an AI function. For PAUT and TOFD software, NATA's NDT annex asks for exactly this. For 17020 bodies it's the change control behind 6.2.9.

DATE	TOOL AND VERSION	WHAT CHANGED	IMPACT ON RESULTS?	VALIDATED HOW	APPROVED BY
14 Jan	*PAUT analysis v4.2 → 4.3*	*New sizing algorithm, UI*	*Possible: sizing*	*Reference block scan; matches v4.2 within ±0.5 mm*	*Level 3*

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