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## FASET celebrates maintaining UKAS accreditation

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FASET (Fall Arrest Safety Equipment Training), the leading trade association for collective fall protection systems, has achieved a significant milestone by successfully maintaining its UKAS (United Kingdom Accreditation Service) Accreditation status against the ISO 17020 standard.

In October 2023, FASET became accredited as a Type C inspection body in accordance with International Standard ISO 17020, making it the only trade association in the UK to achieve this UKAS standard within the SSIP member scheme.

ISO 17020, establishes a framework for inspection bodies to demonstrate their technical competence, independence and capacity to provide reliable inspection services.

Duncan Sibbald, Director of Quality and Operations at FASET, commented, "Passing the UKAS Audit not only cements FASET's position as the leading association for collective fall protection systems in the UK, but also means that members can rely on the association's accredited status as a mark of excellence, enhancing their reputation and competitiveness in the marketplace."

Sibbald adds, "adherence to world leading standards such as ISO 17020, fosters consistency and reliability in inspection processes, ultimately leading to improved member satisfaction and confidence in the association's services."

FASET's accreditation offers a range of benefits that are significant to its members, including:

• Enhanced Reputation: Accreditation to ISO 17020 showcases FASET's commitment to quality and impartiality, elevating its reputation within the industry and among stakeholders.

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- Access to New Markets: The accreditation allows FASET to be recognised and accepted globally, opening doors to new markets and opportunities.
- Reduced Risk: Accredited inspection assures that products, processes and services comply with applicable standards, reducing the risk of non-compliance and potential recalls.
- Competitive Advantage: FASET's commitment to accreditation provides members and their clients with the reassurance that their businesses adheres to the highest of safety standards.
- Confidence in Inspection Results: ISO 17020 accreditation ensures that FASET operates independently and impartially, instilling confidence in the reliability of inspection results.

There Has Never Been a Better Time to Join FASET

FASET offers membership options tailored to suit a range of businesses, whether you provide direct services or procure collective fall protection systems services. Becoming a member not only demonstrates your commitment to the highest safety standards but also grants you unique benefits and industry recognition.

If your organisation is ready to be recognised by the leading UK trade association for collective fall protection systems, please get in touch with FASET: <u>enquiries@faset.org.uk</u>