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## 0 Introduction

**0.1** Section 25 of the Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008), section 25, requires that the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) recognizes and appoints other organizations as standards development organizations (SDOs), and requires the SABS to develop a document which stipulates the criteria for the recognition as an SDO. The intention of this document is to address the said section of the Act.

**0.2** The SABS is, in terms of the Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008), the only recognized national institution for the promotion and maintenance of national standards in South Africa. The criteria for the recognition of standards development organizations (SDOs), as set out in this document, are developed by the SABS to fulfil the requirements of section 25 of the Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008).

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