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8.4.3 Information for External Providers

The organization shall ensure the adequacy of requirements prior to their communication to the external provider.

The organization shall communicate to external providers its requirements for:

- a. the processes, products, and services to be provided *including the identification of relevant technical data* (e.g., specifications, drawings, process requirements, work instructions);
- b. the approval of:
 - 1. products and services;
 - 2. methods, processes, and equipment;
 - 3. the release of products and services;
- c. competence, including any required qualification of persons;
- d. the external providers' interactions with the organization;
- e. control and monitoring of the external providers' performance to be applied by the organization;
- f. verification or validation activities that the organization, or its customer, intends to perform at the external providers' premises;
- g. design and development control;
- h. special requirements, critical items, or key characteristics;
- i. test, inspection, and verification (including production process verification);

j.	the use of statistical techniques for product acceptance and related instruction for acceptance by the organization;				
k.	the need to:				
	implement a quality management system;				
	 use customer-designated or approved external providers, including process sources (e.g., special processes); 				
	 notify the organization of nonconforming processes, products, or services and obtain approval for their disposition; 				
	• prevent the use of counterfeit parts (see WI 8.1.4);				
	 notify the organization of changes to processes, products, or services, including changes of their external providers or location of manufacture, and obtain the organization's approval; 				
	flow down to external providers applicable requirements including customer requirements;				
	provide test specimens for design approval, inspection/verification, investigation, or auditing;				
	retain documented information, including retention periods and disposition requirements;				
I.	the right of access by the organization, their customer, and regulatory authorities to the applicable areas of facilities and to applicable documented information, at any level of the supply chain;				
m.	ensuring that persons are aware of:				
	their contribution to product or service conformity;				
	their contribution to product safety;				
	the importance of ethical behavior.				