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To	All Surveyors/Auditors. All flags
Title	HSSC Survey Guidelines coding system
Reference	HSSC

Method for developing and assigning a coding system to update the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC

As part of its work on enabling remote surveys under the HSSC Survey Guidelines, there was broad agreement on the overall framework for identifying whether HSSC survey items are eligible for remote surveys, including:

- Adding a new “Remote survey eligible” column to the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC.
- Using a three-code system:
 - Y = Eligible for remote survey.
 - N = Not eligible.
 - C = Conditionally eligible, subject to specified criteria.
- Converting the existing Guidelines into a tabular format with standard headings:
 - Code
 - Survey Item
 - Survey Requirements
 - Eligibility for Remote Survey (Y/C/N)
- Applying the coding based on normal operating circumstances, while recognizing that Administrations may authorize remote surveys on a case-by-case basis in exceptional situations.

However, due to the complexity of the task and time constraints, the coding system was not finalized. The work is expected to continue intersessionally, with finalization expected at III 13 (July 2027).

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- Survey Guidelines - HSSC.

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