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Purpose

This section describes the administrative procedures for adapting the International Professional Practices Framework and Framework-related Guidance to audit environments throughout the world and/or for translating them into languages other than English. (Administrative Directive No. 1 specifies the components of Guidance constituting the International Professional Practices Framework.)

Legal Basis

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3. Permission is obtained from The IIA before the translation is published.

4. To provide a minimum level of guidance, the translated Framework and related Guidance should include the Definition of Internal Auditing, Code of Ethics, *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*, the Mission of Internal Audit and the Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing.

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1. Apply to The IIA for approval of the adaptation, indicating the nature of any modifications, the reasons they are required, and the effect on professional practice of internal auditing in the country, if such modifications are not made.

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