As the world moves into a new phase of COVID-19 where mobility is returning to normal, WRAP will become more selective in approving Alternative Desktop Assessments (ADAs) for facilities. WRAP has noticed that many travel restrictions have been lifted and auditors can move more freely within and across their countries of operation.

WRAP created this temporary policy in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that facilities could receive a certification extension on the basis of a virtual audit. WRAP will return to its original policy regarding onsite audits unless an exception is approved by WRAP. Onsite audits enable auditors to fully assess a facility’s practices with respect to WRAP’s 12 Principles. Auditors must reach out to WRAP directly if they face restrictions when conducting an onsite audit.

WRAP expects all local laws, regulations, and pronouncements to be followed. WRAP also expects facilities to prioritize protecting the health and safety of workers by introducing preventative practices (such as use of face masks, temperature checks, testing, social distancing, etc.) and providing adequate PPE.

WRAP joins its fellow monitoring firms and facilities in sharing the goal of protecting the health of the workers and its auditors. We strongly encourage compliance with all measures required by relevant local authorities to ensure the safety of all personnel.

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