

ROLLING TIMELINE FOR REVIEW OF CONTAINMENT CERTIFICATION FILE SUBMISSIONS

The Global Commission for the Certification of Eradication of Poliomyelitis - Containment Working Group (GCC-CWG) has developed a rolling timeline for the review of containment certification files submitted by National Authorities of Containment (NACs). These include applications for certificate of participation (CP), audit materials, interim certificate of containment (ICC) and containment certificate (CC) materials.

The rolling timeline sets annual review timeframes to ensure the GCC-CWG has adequate, protected time to review documents and so that NACs know when to expect completed reviews. NACs are expected to observe the schedule.

	Period of acceptance for completed files (i.e. applications, documents, other) for review* **	GCC will review files and provide feedback to NACs by:
Wave 1	1 December – 28 February	28 March
Wave 2	1 March – 31 May	28 June
Wave 3	1 June – 31 August	30 September
Wave 4	1 September – 30 November	17 December

^{*}Applications should be submitted to containmentcertification@workspace.who.int. Specified cut-off dates will be observed. Early submission is strongly encouraged.

Example: A NAC submits a completed application for a CP for a designated Poliovirus-Essential Facility (PEF) on 10 January. The review of the application and results thereof will be completed and communicated to the NAC by 28 March.

^{**}Please note Recommendation 4.3 from the 19th GCC meeting in February 2019: The GCC approves the proposal to restrict the application submission timeframes and review periods to improve the management of the CP approval-granting process, noting that this is a deviation from the CCS. Furthermore, the GCC recommends that all approved CPs for PEFs that will retain PV2 and that are proceeding to obtain an ICC and/or CC be in effect until the same end date.

ALL CPs will expire 30 April 2021.