Introducing the GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program

GBAC STAR™ is the cleaning industry’s only outbreak prevention, response and recovery accreditation for facilities and modes of transportation. Now available at a discounted rate for UITP members.

GBAC STAR™ is the gold standard of prepared organisations. GBAC STAR™ accreditation means that a fleet or facility has:

- Established and maintained a cleaning, disinfection and infectious disease prevention program to minimize risks associated with infectious agents like the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).
- The proper cleaning protocols, disinfection techniques and work practices in place to combat biohazards and infectious disease.
- Highly skilled cleaning professionals who are trained for outbreak and infectious disease preparation and response.

What Is the Program?

The GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program is performance-based and designed to help organisations establish a comprehensive system of cleaning, disinfection and infectious disease prevention for their staff and riders, in their fleets and facilities.

The program relies on GBAC’s comprehensive training, which teaches the proper protocols, correct disinfection techniques and cleaning best practices for biohazard situations like the novel coronavirus.

There are 20 GBAC STAR™ Program Elements, each with specific performance and guidance criteria. Successful GBAC STAR™ organisations can demonstrate that they have the work practices, procedures and systems in place to prepare, respond and recover from outbreaks and pandemics.

The GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program is based on quality management system principles and is similar in approach to other relevant industry programs such as ISO 9001, ISO 45001 and ISO 35001.

What Does the GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Mean for My Organisation?

The GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program provides third-party validation that your fleet and facilities meet a higher level of cleanliness and safety.

With GBAC STAR™ your fleet or facility is...

- Maintaining strict cleaning protocols for infectious disease.
- Using best practices to limit the impact of future outbreaks.
- Protecting building occupants now and in the future.
- Prepared for any recurring challenges in your workplace or facility.
With GBAC STAR™ your staff is...

- Highly skilled and accredited for infectious disease response.
- Empowered to do their jobs safely and effectively.
- Trained to follow the right practices to keep themselves safe from disease.
- Bringing value to their communities and contributing to public health.

With GBAC STAR™, your customers have...

- The assurance that the fleet and facility has been disinfected to the highest standards.
- Renewed trust in building cleanliness and safety.
- Increased confidence to enter and feel comfortable inside the building.
- Peace of mind that proper cleaning and health protection is an ongoing priority.

Who uses the GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program?

GBAC STAR™ is designed for any size fleet, facility or organization, including:

- Trains, planes and automobiles
- Airports, stations and terminals
- Stadiums and arenas
- Convention centers
- Retail spaces
- Commercial offices
- Daycares
- Athletic and fitness clubs
- Schools
- Veterinary clinics
- Restaurants
- Hotels
- Spas
- Churches and religious buildings
- Grocery stories
- Doctor’s offices
- Assisted care facilities

More than 4,000 organizations have already committed to achieving GBAC STAR accreditation in more than 80 countries and the list is growing. Visit gbac.org/directory to see who has put their trust in GBAC STAR.

How Do I Apply for the GBAC STAR™ Accreditation?

1) Ready to apply? Review the Readiness Assessment Checklist first.

2) Complete the GBAC STAR™ Application for Accreditation. The application completion process will depend on the size and complexity of your organization. UITP members receive a discount by visiting gback.issa.com/uitp

3) We strongly recommend reviewing the Accreditation Resources page before and during the application process to improve the chances of a successful accreditation.

Will GBAC STAR™ Comply with My Local Regulations?

GBAC STAR™ was developed to work within the framework of any local or national regulations.

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How Much Does the GBAC STAR™ Accreditation Program Cost?

Applicants from public or private transit operators or authorities can have up to three assessments per mode of transport. These can include their protocols for: fleet, public facilities and corporate facilities (i.e. depots and offices).

Pricing is based on the annual operating expenses per mode.

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Additional Modes of Transport

Flat rate for each $5,000

Additional modes of transport include an assessment for the fleet protocols as well as protocols for any related facilities.

Each GBAC STAR™ Accreditation includes a minimum of 5 individual GBAC Fundamentals Online Course courses. Additional courses are available at $150 each.

What Kind of Documentation will I Need to Submit?

Examples of the types of documents you can expect to submit for various elements of GBAC STAR include, but are not limited to:

- standard operating procedures (SOPs);
- risk assessments;
- incident site risk assessments;
- equipment inventory and maintenance records;
- audit and inspection checklists; NOTE: These may include self-inspection checklists, internal inspections by management, 3rd party inspections, etc.
- audit and inspection reports with non-conformity follow-up reports;
- employee training and certification records;
- contracted service provider training and certification records;
- communication and awareness campaigns;
- minutes from the facilities GBAC STARTM committee;
- minutes from management review;
- emergency response and incident response reports and drill reports.

Who Can I Contact for More Information?

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