



Transition Requirements for ISO/TS 22003:2022 & FSSC22000

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This first edition cancels and replaces ISO/TS 22003:2013, which has been technically revised throughout.

ISO/TS 22003:2022— Part 1: Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems

Background

Note: ISO 22003-1:2022 supplements ISO 17021-1:2015, the standard for the accreditation of bodies providing audit and certification of all types of management systems.

FSMS certification – a certification, based on ISO’s harmonized requirements for management systems, that incorporates food safety requirements based on the international accepted principles of food safety (i.e. prerequisite programmes and, as appropriate, control measures that result from either a site-specific or generic hazard analysis).

Note: ISO 22003-2 supplements ISO 17065:2012, the standard for the accreditation of bodies certifying all types of products, processes and services.

FSS certification – a product certification that incorporates requirements based on the internationally accepted principles of food safety (i.e. prerequisite programmes and, as appropriate, control measures that result from either a site-specific or generic hazard analysis) and management system components (e.g. management commitment, responsibility and review, documented information, internal audit) that support the production of safe food.

Key Changes

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Key timescale

Both the Stage 1 and Stage 2 audit must be conducted to Version 6 when the audit takes place from 1 April 2024 onwards OR conduct the Stage 1 audit to Version 5.1 (when conducted before 1 April 2024) and Stage 2 to Version 6 (when conducted on or after 1 April 2024).

| Activity | Due Date |
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| CAB assessment | Application by 31 st October 2023, assessment as part of surveillance 2023 or separately if surveillance is after March 2023 |
| CAB timeline | Certification Bodies can deliver audits against the FSSC 22000 Scheme V5.1 until 31 March 2024. Upgrade audits against FSSC 22000 Scheme V6 shall only be conducted from 1 April 2024 until 31 March 2025. |
| CAB transitions of certified clients completed by | All remaining V5.1 certificates will automatically be set to withdrawn in the Assurance Platform after 31 May 2025 and will no longer be visible on the FSSC 22000 public register of certified organizations on the FSSC website. |
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Accredited certification bodies are required to:

- 1) Plan and prepare to apply to INAB for transition with an extension to scope application
- 2) Complete a gap analysis of the differences FSSC 22000 V5.1 to V6 and ISO 22003:2013 to 2022
- 3) Develop a transition plan to address at least the following:
 - a) Identify the changes between new and old version. Typical processes considered for changes can include sales/quoting, auditing process, competence management and communication with existing certified clients.
 - b) Analyse impact of changes on relevant activities/processes and identify required actions to ensure conformance (e.g., management system/documents, IT tools).
 - c) Implement required actions including a timely communication to the clients on the transition programme, such as the timeline, transition audit approach, and the consequences if the client fails to transition prior to the end of the transition period etc.
- 4) Ensure that relevant personnel affected by the changes are competent for the revised version and transition process. The audit team, as a whole, shall have knowledge of all controls contained in ISO 22003:2022 & FSSC22000 V6. Personnel may include, but not be limited to, auditor, reviewers of audit report, certification decision maker, contract reviewer, and planner.

NOTE: CABs are encouraged to plan and commence required actions at the earliest opportunity.

CABs should submit evidence of 2 to 4 above with the application for extension to scope by **31st October 2023**. INAB will conduct a technical review at the CAB's head office to coincide with head office surveillance. A witnessed audit will be required. A minimum of 0.5 assessment day to confirm transition will be required.

Further information:

Please contact your INAB assessment manager.