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MINISTRY OF INVESTMENT, TRADE AND INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF STANDARDS MALAYSIA

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TRANSITION FROM ISO/TS 22003:2013 TO ISO 22003-1:2022

1 INTRODUCTION

International Accreditation Forum - Mandatory Document (IAF MD) 27:2023 – Transition Requirements for ISO 22003-1:2022 was published on 30 August 2023 with an application date on the same day.

2 OBJECTIVE

This circular aims to remind Food Safety Management System (FSMS) Certification Bodies (CBs) on the transition requirements to ISO 22003-1:2022 – Food safety – Part 1: Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems.

3 TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS

3.1 IAF MD 27 has provided the due dates for transition to ISO 22003-1:2022 as follows:

Activity	Due Date	Implications
AB		
AB to be ready to assess to ISO 22003- 1:2022 no later than	18 months from publication month of document – 31 December 2023.	No implication. JSM has been ready to assess ISO 22003-1:2022 since 1 September 2022.
AB to use ISO 22003-1:2022 for all initial	24 months from publication month of document - 30 June 2024.	After 30 June 2024, all applicant CBs shall need to be assessed

Activity	Due Date	Implications
accreditation assessments no later than		based on ISO 22003-1:2022. Failure to successfully comply may result in findings raised during the assessment.
AB transition of all CABs completed no later than	30 months from publication month of document - 31 December 2024.	CABs that fail to transition after 31 December 2024 shall be suspended or withdrawn.
CAB		
CAB may use ISO 22003-1:2022 for all initial clients after accreditation for ISO 22003-1:2022	Date to be determined for each CB based on transition date, but no later than 24 months from publication month of document – 30 June 2024 or transition of the accreditation, whichever is later.	CABs that have not successfully transitioned to ISO 22003-1:2022 prior to 30 June 2024 cannot accept new applicants.
CAB to use ISO 22003-1:2022 for all clients no later than	30 months from publication month of document - 31 December 2024.	CABs that fail to transition after 31 December 2024 shall be suspended or withdrawn.
**CABs to implement all changes impacting their existing clients such as sampling and audit time calculations no later than	36 months from publication month of document - 30 June 2025.	CABs clients that have not been certified using ISO 22003-1:2022 after 30 June 2025 shall be suspended or withdrawn.

**** For existing certified clients:** As requirements for multisite sampling and audit time determination have changed in the 2022 edition, it is acceptable that the contract between the CAB and the client is revised to follow new requirements. The revision must be completed to allow CABs sufficient time to implement all changes necessary by no later than 31 December 2024. Implementation must ensure that by 30 June 2025 all clients have been audited in accordance with the revised requirements, as an example any sites that are no longer eligible for sampling have been audited.

4 IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 The implementation of this circular takes effect immediately.

Approved by:

Director of Accreditation