



GICG Transition Policy to ISO 27006-1:2024 and the timelines

ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 – Information Security, Cybersecurity and Privacy Protection – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of information security management systems was published in March 2024, to replace ISO/IEC 27006:2015 and ISO/IEC 27006:2015/Amd 1:2020.

As such, IAF has published a Mandatory Document (MD), IAF MD 29:2024 Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024. The MD stated a two-years (24 months) transition period, i.e. The Standard was published in March 2024, and the deadline for the transition shall be by 31 March 2026 for all the accredited Certification Bodies including GICG.

The main changes between ISO/IEC 27006:2015 and ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Refinement of the requirements for remote audits:**
 - 1.1 New requirements for deploying remote audits are specified in clause 9.1.3.3.
 - 1.2 The extent and effectiveness of applying remote audits shall be indicated in the audit report as specified in clause 9.4.3.2.
 - 1.3 Removal of the requirements for obtaining approval from the AB if the remote auditing activities represent more than 30% of the planned on-site audit time.
 - 1.4 For clients with few or no physical relevant sites, the audit report (see clause 9.4.3.2) and certification document (see clause 8.2.2) shall state that the client's activities are conducted remotely.
- 2. Updating the audit time calculation requirement (see Annex C):**
 - 2.1 Introducing the concept of persons performing certain identical activities in C.2.1 and defining the requirement for how to determine the initial number of persons in C.3.4 accordingly.
 - 2.2 New requirements for audit time for scope extensions are specified in C.7.
 - 2.3 Further clarifying the approaches for calculating audit time for multiple sites in C.6.
- 3. Updating Annex D of ISO/IEC 27006:2015 to align with the information security controls listed in Annex A of ISO/IEC 27001:2022 and transferring it as Annex E of ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024. Table D was relabelled as Table E.**
- 4. Refinement of the requirements for referencing other standards in the ISMS certification documents (see clause 8.2.3).**
- 5. Removal of redundancies with ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015. For example, clauses 5.2, 7.1.3, 9.3.2.2, and 9.4 (ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024) have been updated.**
- 6. Deletion of the quantitative requirement for the work experience and training of ISMS auditors, such as 4-year full-time practical workplace experience.**



Following the required timeline, GICG shall use ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 for all initial and recertification audits after accreditation for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024, which is targeted to be completed by Dec 2024.

GICG shall use ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 for all clients no later than 31 March 2026.

Note: For the clients certified before the date of accreditation transition, GICG may use either ISO/IEC 27006:2015 or ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 for surveillance audits after accreditation for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024.

After GICG is accredited for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024, it will no longer accept applications under ISO/IEC 27006:2015.

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