

GICG Transition Policy TO ISO 22003-1:2022 and the timelines

The ISO 22003-1: 2022 Food Safety — Part 1: Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems was published in June 2022, to replace ISO/TS 22002:2013.

As such, IAF has published a Mandatory Document (MD), IAF MD 27:2023 Transition Requirements for ISO 22003-1:2022. The MD stated a three-year transition period, i.e. from the date of the publication of the Standard and summarised the key changes for all accredited certification body including GICG to follow.

Whilst the ISO/TS 22003:2013 will remain valid during the three-year transition period.

Following the required timeline, GICG requires all its existing clients that certified to ISO 22000 Food Safety Management Systems to be smoothly transitioned to the revised standard ISO 22003-1:2022 by no later than 30 June 2025.

From 1st January 2025, GICG will no longer accept applications under the previous standard ISO/TS 22003:2013, and GICG is now accepting the applications under the ISO 22003-1:2022.

How it affects you:

- Audit duration might be changed esp. for clients having multisite and revised proposal will be needed. Our customer service personnel will be in touch with you.
- The classification of food chain categories is revised, and certificate will need to be reissued to reflect the updated category and subcategory where applicable. This could be done during the next audit where possible.

For any enquires about the transition, please write in to enquires.sg@gicg.com or reach out to our customer service personnel at +65 67423075