



Heads Up

Issue: 545

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To: ANAB-Accredited and Applicant CABs and MS Accreditation Assessors

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Re: Reminder-Transition Deadline for Food related programs FSMS (ISO 22003-1) and FSSC 22000 V6

As a reminder we are approaching the end of transition period for ISO 22003-1:2022 in ANAB FSMS accreditation program as well the transition to Version 6 of the scheme for FSSC 22000 accreditation program.

For FSSC 22000 upgrade audits, all existing certified organizations upgrade audits were required to be completed by **31 March 2025**. FSSC 22000 accredited CBs have until **31 May 2025** to complete all required action to transition existing certificates to V6. Please refer to the [Accreditation Rule 23](#) for details.

For CABs that were granted BIII sub-category as part of the transition, a witness assessment is required. If a BIII sub-category witness assessment has not been scheduled, please reach out to your scheduling coordinator with available options. ANAB must witness an audit for BIII sub-category at first feasible opportunity as this is a new sub-category in FSSC 22000 V6.

For FSMS (ISO 22000) program transition to ISO 22003-1, CBs are to implement all changes impacting existing certified clients no later than **30 June 2025**. Please refer to the [Accreditation Rule 22](#) for details.