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Introduction

Certification of the food safety system (FSS) of an organization is one means of providing assurance that the organization has implemented a system for food safety in line with its policy and the internationally accepted principles of food safety.

Requirements for a food safety system can originate from a number of sources. This document has been developed to assist in the certification of the organization's products, processes or services and its food safety system, including its management system elements.

This document is intended for use in combination with *ISO/IEC 17065 Conformity assessment – Requirements for bodies certifying products, process and services* by bodies that carry out evaluation and certification of products, processes or services including an audit of the food safety system by providing generic requirements for such bodies. Such bodies are referred to as certification bodies. This wording is not intended to be an obstacle to the use of this document by bodies with other designations that undertake activities covered by the scope of this document.

Certification of an organization's products, processes or services including an audit of the food safety system under this standard can involve a number of activities. Because this document is intended for product certification schemes that include a management system element, these activities will involve an audit of the organization's food safety system. The form of attestation of conformity of an organization's food safety system to a specific standard, certification scheme requirements or other specified requirements is normally a certification document or a certificate.

It is for the organization being certified to develop its own food safety system and related systems according to the scheme requirements. Other than where relevant legislative, customer or certification scheme requirements specify to the contrary, it is for the organization to decide how the various components of these will be arranged. The degree of integration between the various system components will vary from organization to organization. It is therefore appropriate for certification bodies that operate in accordance with this document to take into account the culture and practices of their clients with respect to the integration of their food safety system within the wider organization.

This document was developed in conjunction with ISO 22003-1, Food safety management systems — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management system which is intended to be used in combination with ISO/IEC 17021-1, Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems Part 1: Requirements.

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— "should" indicates a recommendation;

— "may" indicates a permission;

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