



Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27001:2022

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ISO/IEC 27001: 2022 — Information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection — Information security management systems — Requirements.

IAF MD 26:2023 was issued on 15th February 2023, with immediate application, describing transition requirements for ISO/IEC 27001:2022, which is replacing ISO/IEC 27001:2013.

Background

ISO/IEC Directives Part 1 state that no more than 2 separate amendments shall be published modifying a current International Standard. The development of a third such document shall result in publication of a new edition of the standard. As this is the case for ISO/IEC 27001:2013 with its various amendments and corrigenda, a new version was published as ISO/IEC 27001:2022 in October 2022.

Key Changes and impact

See sections 2.2 and 2.3 of IAF MD 26:2023, available here:

https://iaf.nu/iaf_system/uploads/documents/IAF_MD26_Issue_2_15012023.pdf

Key timescales

As well as listing the key changes and their impact, IAF MD 26 also establishes timescales for both accreditation and certification bodies (CBs). As INAB intends to follow exactly the transition arrangements as outlined in IAF MD 26, CBs are advised to refer directly to its provisions, but key timescales are as follows:

- INAB will be ready to assess CB's ISO/IEC 27001:2022 activities by 30th April 2023, at the latest.
- Initial assessments of applicant CBs in this area will be to ISO /IEC 27001:2022 from 30th April 2023.
- All transitions of INAB accredited CBs must be completed by 31st October 2023.

From the CBs' perspective:

- Initial certification and recertification by CAB to ISO/IEC 27001:2022 to begin no later than 30th April 2024.
- CBs must have completed transitioning their clients by 31st October 2025.

Actions

Accredited CBs must develop transition arrangements as per section 4.2 of IAF MD 26, and apply to INAB via the 'Extension to Scope' facility in the CRM portal. The transition arrangement may be in one or several separate documents, but all must be uploaded to the portal as part of the application.

In order to allow for the assessment process to be completed in good time before expiry of the transition period, extension to scope applications should be made to INAB by 30th April 2023. CBs'

attention is drawn to the statement in IAF MD 26: *“If the accredited CAB does not successfully complete the transition assessment before the related due date listed in Clause 3 [i.e. 31st October 2023], the expiry date of their accreditation for ISO/IEC 27001:2013 shall not be later than the end of the transition period.”* INAB will therefore be required to withdraw accreditation related to ISO/IEC 27001:2013 at that point.

INAB will conduct a technical review remotely, a minimum of 0.5 assessment day, to confirm the effectiveness of the transition., As per IAF MD26 requirements, if INAB is not able to verify the effective implementation and conformance with CBs’ transition arrangements, then an office assessment will be required, which will incur an additional cost.

Reference IAF Mandatory document:

IAF MD 26:2022

IAF MD 26:2023, Issue 2

Further information:

Please contact your INAB assessment manager.