

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the AS9104/1A Transition

The International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) is in the process of revising the AS9104/1. Therefore, all certification bodies will be transitioning to AS9104/1A. This means that some changes will be taking place. A few of the most common questions are listed below. Please feel free to contact our Aerospace Accreditation/Program Manager, Amanda Brown, at abrown@pjr.com if you have any additional questions.

1. What is the timeframe for the transition?

<u>Answer:</u> The IAQG was planning on the transition taking place early 2024. They just released an update informing us that it has suspended the transition to realign all the certification scheme standards, delta training, and OASIS v3 on a coordinated timeline. The transition will be restarted when the realignment is complete, and a new timeline is communicated by the IAQG.

2. Our organization is currently certified to AS9100. Will there be any changes to the standard we are certified to?

<u>Answer:</u> There may be. The AS9104/1A has a requirement that an organization must be certified to the standard that matches their scope. If your organization does RMO work, it should most likely be AS9110. If your organization does distribution, it should most likely be AS9120. During the transition, all scopes will be reviewed and if your organization is determined to fall under a different standard, PJR will reach out to you to coordinate that conversion.

- <u>AS9100</u> is for organizations that design, develop, or provide aviation, space and defense products and services and for organizations providing post-delivery activities including the provision of maintenance, spare parts, or materials for **their own** products and services.
- ii. <u>AS9110</u> is intended for organizations whose primary business is providing maintenance or continuing airworthiness management services for civil or military aviation articles and products and by OEMs with maintenance, repair, and overhaul operations that are operated autonomously or that are substantially different from their production operations.
- iii. <u>AS9120</u> is for organizations that procure parts, materials, and assemblies and resell these products to a customer in the aviation, space, and defense industries.

3. Our organization is a Campus structure. Will our structure remain the same?

<u>Answer:</u> No, it will not. In AS9104/1A, there are only two structures: Single Site and Multi-site. Therefore, a review of your organization's operations will be done to determine what your new structure will be.

4. Will our audit duration be determined in the same way?

<u>Answer:</u> No, it will not. In AS9104/1A, there is a new set of requirements to determine an organization's audit duration. Complexity, Risk, and Previous Performance will be used to help determine duration. There is also now a possibility of reductions in time based on the organizations operational set up and Risk level.



5. Are there any new requirements that we must follow?

Answer: Yes, there are some new requirements that organizations must be aware of.

- Organizations Shall provide data required by this standard, to their CB prior to initial, surveillance, and recertification audits for the completion of the OCAP Analysis. These items include...
 - a) Application fully completed
 - b) Interaction of Processes including breakdown of processes per site
 - c) Internal Audit process information (Procedure if applicable)
 - d) On-Time Delivery goal and actuals
 - e) Conformity of Delivered Products or Service goal and actuals
 - f) Customer Complaints/Feedback information (includes Procedure if applicable and any previous Complaints/Feedback and actions taken)
 - g) Previous PEARs if applicable.
- ii. If a nonconformance is issued, the organization will have 90 days to re-establish conformance. If conformance is not re-established, the organization will be suspended.
- iii. Organizations that have their AQMS standard certification suspended, shall provide notification to their ASD (Aerospace, Space and Defense) customers within 15 days of suspension.

6. Can we keep the same auditor throughout our certification?

<u>Answer:</u> AEA's and AA's **shall** not audit the same site for more than 6 consecutive annual audits. At the end of the 6th consecutive annual audit, the organization must be audited by different auditor/s.

7. We are considering transferring to another certification body. Can we have the same auditor if we transfer?

<u>Answer:</u> AEA's shall not audit an organization that has transferred to a new Certification Body for a period of 24 months from the transfer certification decision, when the AEA has audited that organization in the preceding 24 months.

8. Can our audits still be conducted 100% remote after the transition?

<u>Answer:</u> Unfortunately, they will not. However, up to 50% of your audit can possibly be conducted remotely. A review of your organizations capability to conduct a portion of the audit remotely would be done. If it is determined that your organization does have the capabilities, then the scheduling of the audit can be done with up to the 50% remote. The remote portion of the audit could include areas such as Management, Human Resources, Supporting processes, etc.