



FSSC Version 5 Transition Plan

Activity	Timeline
Release of FSSC Version 5	05/2019
Last date for initial audits to FSSC Version 4.1	12/31/2019
Start conducting initial and upgrade audits to FSSC Version 5	01/01/2020
Last date for upgrade audits to FSSC Version 5	12/31/2020
All FSSC Version 4.1 certificates becoming invalid	06/29/2021

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TO: FSSC 22000 certified organizations

Notice on FSSC 22000 V5

Dear customers,

Foundation FSSC 22000 recently issued “Requirements for the FSSC 22000 V5 upgrade process.” Due to the published FSSC 22000 V5, each certified organization will have to be audited for upgrade. Detailed information including transition period will be provided to you after FSSC 22000 V5 is actually published, but we would like you to know the key points described in the following:

[Key Points]

- FSSC 22000 V5 will be published in May 2019.
- Upgrade audits against FSSC 22000 Scheme requirements V5 will be conducted between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020.
- Audits against the FSSC 22000 Scheme requirements V4.1 are allowed latest December 31, 2019.
- Issued FSSC 22000 V4.1 certificates will become invalid after June 29, 2021.
- Additional audit time is not required for upgrade audit against FSSC 22000 V5.

*Although PJR’s audit program requires unannounced audit to be conducted normally for the second surveillance, the second surveillance audits conducted between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020 as V5 upgrade audit will be announced. In this case, moreover, please note that Foundation FSSC 22000 requires the first surveillance audit in 2022 in the next certification cycle to be conducted unannounced.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please feel free to contact with our sales representatives or customer relations (CR).

Last, but certainly not least, we wish your future business endeavors and we would greatly appreciate it if we could have your continued support in the future.

Sincerely,

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