**R2v3 – What's Ahead In 2021?**

Now that the R2v3 standard has been officially released, it’s time to look toward the future! While full transition to the new version will not be required for a year and a half after the July 2020 release date, there are some upcoming timelines worthy of note. As of January 1st, 2021, all new R2 certifications must be to the new R2v3; Certification Bodies may not conduct registration audits to the old standard in 2021.

If a facility's certificate expires on or before 12/31/2021, the facility will have the option to recertify to R2:2013 if the audit is completed before 1/1/2022 with all NCRs closed/verified and the new R2:2013 certificate expires by 6/30/2023. Certificates that expire after 12/31/2021 will be required to transition to the new standard by their next recertification or before the 6/30/2023 deadline.

If you have questions about the new version of R2 or the timeline for transition, PJR is here to help! We are offering regular webinars on R2v3, and are happy to offer any clarification your organization might require. To learn more about the transition to R2v3, visit our website at www.pjr.com or call (248) 358-3388.

**In Transition: FSSC 22000 V5 To V5.1**

Change is coming to FSSC 22000 – as of November 2020, the new FSSC 22000 V5.1 has been published! Audits to the old scheme requirements (V5) will be allowed through March 31st, 2021, but all subsequent audits through March 31st, 2022 must be to the new V5.1. In addition, existing V4 certificates are to end on June 30th, 2021.

The key drivers to the new sub-version update include GFSI’s Benchmark requirements 2020.1, incorporation of updates through the Board of Stakeholders Decision List, and a strengthened Integrity and Licensing process.

To learn more about the changes to FSSC 22000 in this new update or to get more information about FSSC certification in general, visit www.pjr.com or call (248) 358-3388.
Common Audit Report Application (CARA) And Remote Auditing - IATF's Newest Initiatives Poised To Have Big Impact In 2021

The International Automotive Task Force (IATF) announced two big initiatives that will have a profound impact on the world of IATF 16949 audits in 2021.

Common Audit Report Application (or CARA) was released in Fall 2020 but will become mandatory on January 1, 2021. CARA is a mandatory format from the IATF itself for recording the results of an audit. Despite the many changes to the audit report format, PJR feels strongly that the actual audit process will feel no different under CARA with one key exception - responding to nonconformances. Under CARA, all nonconformances are prepared in the CARA application, and client responses are also mandatorily captured in CARA. PJR and the IATF have both prepared various training resources pertaining to CARA.

After months of pushback the IATF finally acquiesced and agreed that audits can be conducted remotely/virtually for any company for whom concerns over COVID19 make an onsite audit problematic. While this provision is important, the IATF has issued several new requirements intended to ensure that the remote auditing process mirrors that of onsite audits as closely as possible. Among the items discussed in the IATF's "COVID19 memo" are Auditor Coordinators, Technology Test Sessions, and backup provisions for failures in software and/or hardware.

PJR premiered a new joint webinar on these two topics in late 2020 and will be repeating it several times in 2021.

Meet Your New PJR Team Members!

Perry Johnson Registrars keeps growing! With the addition of new standards and scopes of registration, our world headquarters team continues to grow! Our goal is to continue to provide value-added auditing and outstanding customer service to all our clients!
Since 1994, ProtoCAM has been at the cutting edge of the Rapid Additive Manufacturing and Rapid Prototyping industries. Based in Allentown, Pennsylvania, ProtoCAM offers a wide range of 3D printing, urethane casting, and advanced finishing services. ProtoCAM utilizes some of the most advanced technologies in the industry, including Multi Jet Fusion, fused deposition modeling, stereolithography, and Digital Light Synthesis processes. These service offerings appeal to a wide range of industries, from medical and consumer goods to automotive and aerospace & defense.

With their technical lineup of service offerings appealing to such rigorous industries, ISO 9001:2015 was a logical certification for ProtoCAM to pursue. “[Our ISO certification] has opened many doors for us and gives us a roadmap to better operate and continuously improve our business,” said Bob Holbrook, ProtoCAM’s VP of Sales and Marketing. “ISO certification paves the way for us to better serve our customers and make continuous improvements in our offerings.” As many of ProtoCAM’s customers require that specific systems and procedures are in place to ensure quality and on-time delivery, ISO 9001:2015 certification has proven to be a great asset in further developing the systems already in place at ProtoCAM.

In their dedication to offering state-of-the-art processes, technologies, and services to all customers, ProtoCAM is looking to the future with plans of potentially pursuing additional certifications specific to the medical and aerospace industries. “PJR was recommended to us by another company. The initial contact and quoting phase was very easy, and the associates we worked with assured a smooth transition to certification,” said Holbrook. “We’re so glad we chose PJR.”

True to their philosophy of providing value-added customer service through an honest, personalized approach, ProtoCAM’s pursuit of certification to enhance their business is a sure step in the right direction! To learn more about ProtoCAM, visit their website at www.protocam.com. To learn more about ISO 9001:2015 certification, or any other certification option PJR offers, visit www.pjr.com, where you can request a free quote. ◆
Industry Update: CMMC

As of November 30th, 2020, a new interim rule has come into effect to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) in order to implement the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) framework. This newly-effective interim rule includes the new DFARS clause 252.204-7021; this specifies CMMC requirements and enables the department to verify protection of FCI and CUI within unclassified networks of Defense Industrial Base (DIB) companies.

The new interim rule also includes a staggered rollout of CMMC implementation through the 2021-2025 timespan, starting with implementation of CMMC requirements for level 3 and below on select new acquisitions. The CISO (Chief Information Security Officer) team for Acquisition and Sustainment is working with defense agencies to identify and approve CMMC pilot candidates; further updates are forthcoming.

To learn more about CMMC and DFARS requirements or any other certification option, reach out to PJR today by visiting www.pjr.com. ◆

Aerospace Remote Audit Alleviations Announced

On November 24th, IAQG announced additional alleviations on their allowance of remote audits for aerospace audits. Qualifying clients may now be able to conduct their full initial audits or special audits remotely. PJR’s Aerospace Accreditation & Program Manager, Amanda Brown, expressed enthusiasm for the new allowances: “The IAQG’s newest alleviations are a welcome addition. They are invaluable at this time to help with travel restrictions, Stay at Home orders and all the other reasons Stage 1 and 2’s, Special audits and transfers could not be conducted on-site.” Clients will need to complete a Virtual Audit Questionnaire specific to aerospace audits in order for PJR to assess their eligibility and associated risk of a remote audit.

To learn more about PJR’s aerospace programs or our virtual audit capabilities, give us a call at (248) 358-3388. ◆

FREE Training! Exclusively From PJR!

PJR continues to expand their webinar topics to include: “ISO 45001 Overview” to “ISO 13485: 2016 Overview”! Check out PJR’s current webinar schedule at www.pjr.com. Registration is easy! ◆

Upcoming Webinars:

Wednesday, January 13
Statutory and Regulatory Requirements – Expectations in an ISO 9001 QMS Audit

Tuesday, January 26

More dates can be found on our website at: www.pjr.com