

# ISO/TS16949: 2009



The third edition of ISO/TS16949 was issued in June 2009 to align with ISO9001: 2008.

IATF has issued clarification on the transition process from ISO/TS 16949: 2002 to ISO/TS 16949: 2009, namely:

The certification status to ISO/TS 16949: 2002 remains in effect for the certification life. Certification to ISO/TS 16949: 2009 is recognized with the effective date of the release of ISO/TS 16949: 2009. The certification to ISO/TS 16949: 2009 is not an upgrade and its term is the same as the current ISO/TS 16949: 2002 certificate. IATF recognized certificates to ISO/TS 16949: 2009 may be issued upon request by an organization (client) after official publication and after a regularly scheduled surveillance audit, but are not required until the next recertification audit.

## **What does an organisation need to do to be able to upgrade?**

The IATF communiqué stated:

*“Certification Bodies and Organizations are expected to understand and apply the amendments to ISO/TS 16949: 2009. Application of the clarifications related to ISO 9001: 2008 requirements in the boxed text of ISO/TS 16949: 2009 is effective not later than 120 days after the release of ISO/TS 16949: 2009. IATF Official release date 1st July 2009”*

## **What are the changes?**

The main thing to remember is there are no new requirements.

Some of the amendments/clarifications include:

- 4.1 More focus on outsourced process control
- 4.2.1 Clarification that a procedure requirement may be covered in more than one document
- 6.3 Information systems added
- 6.4 Definition of work environment
- 7.4.1.2 Update to align with ISO9001: 2008
- 7.6 Measuring devices changed to equipment
- 8.2.1 Note on monitoring customer perception
- 8.2.2 Correction added

Prior to any upgrade audit to the 2009 edition, organisations should be able to demonstrate they have reviewed their management system and made any amendments to address the changes.

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