



ISO 9001:2026

Overview

The new edition of ISO 9001:2026 replaces ISO 9001:2015. **The changes are generally limited**, but each company needs to assess how its own Quality Management System is affected.

Main Changes

- **Leadership and Quality Culture.** Greater emphasis is placed on fostering a culture of quality and ethical behavior, both through management and through staff awareness.
- **Threats and Opportunities.** The requirements for identifying threats and opportunities, as well as for planning actions to address them, are clarified.
- **Planning Changes.** It is clarified how the effectiveness of changes is monitored, how they are communicated and how their outcomes are reviewed.
- **Management Review.** Explicit consideration is added for changes in the requirements and expectations of interested parties.
- **Quality Policy.** Its alignment with the company's operating context and strategic direction is clarified.
- **Documentation and Terminology.** The availability of documented information is clarified, and certain terms and definitions are harmonized.

Important Dates

16.09.2026	Publication of ISO 9001:2026 and the start of the three-year transition period to the new edition
31.03.2028	After this date, new initial certifications are granted only against ISO 9001:2026
30.09.2029	Final transition deadline. After this date, ISO 9001:2015 certifications cease to be valid

Transition Process

The transition may take place during a scheduled surveillance or recertification audit, or as a separate audit.

Source: Global ACI, Transition Requirements for ISO 9001:2026, Global ACI-TECH-3-TR 2029-09-30 (M), v.1.0.