



DAGS v1.0 Normative Standard

# Versioning and Change Control

## 1. Purpose

This document defines the versioning model, change control discipline, and stability rules governing the DAGS v1.0 Normative Standard.

Its purpose is to:

- Preserve the integrity and interpretability of the standard over time
- Prevent silent or retroactive changes
- Ensure traceability of modifications
- Maintain insurer-, regulator-, and auditor-legible stability

This document is normative.

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## 2. Versioning Model

DAGS uses a semantic versioning model expressed as:

v<major>.<minor>

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## Major Version

A change to the major version indicates:

- Addition or removal of control domains
- Substantive changes to normative requirements
- Structural reorganization affecting interpretation

Major version changes are backward-incompatible.

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## Minor Version

A change to the minor version indicates:

- Clarifications that do not alter intent
- Additive requirements within existing domains
- Non-breaking refinements to definitions or evidence principles

Minor version changes preserve interpretive continuity.

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## 3. Normative Version Authority

The normative standard version governs interpretation.

All derivative artifacts shall:

- Reference the applicable DAGS normative version
- Be interpreted according to that version
- Avoid mixing requirements across versions

No derivative artifact may redefine or override the normative version.

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## 4. Change Control Requirements

All changes to the normative standard:

- Shall be intentional
- Shall be reviewed and approved under editorial authority
- Shall be documented in the Change Log
- Shall include a clear description of impact

Undocumented changes are prohibited.

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## 5. Control Identifier Stability

Control identifiers:

- Shall remain stable across versions
- Shall not be reused for different requirements
- May be deprecated but not silently removed

If a control is deprecated, its identifier shall be retained and marked accordingly.

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## 6. Backward Interpretation Prohibition

Backward reinterpretation is prohibited.

A newer version of the standard shall not be used to reinterpret:

- Prior assessments
- Historical claims of alignment
- Previously generated evidence

Interpretation applies only forward from the effective version.

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## 7. Emergency Corrections

Emergency corrections may be issued only to address:

- Material errors affecting interpretation
- Internal inconsistencies within the standard

Emergency corrections:

- Shall be clearly labeled
  - Shall not introduce new requirements
  - Shall be recorded in the Change Log
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## 8. Publication Discipline

Each published version of the normative standard shall include:

- A fixed version identifier
- A publication date
- A corresponding Change Log entry



Draft or working versions shall not be represented as authoritative.

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## 9. Supersession

A newer version supersedes prior versions upon publication.

Supersession does not retroactively invalidate assessments or representations made under earlier versions.

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## 10. Status

This Versioning and Change Control document is normative.

It is binding for DAGS v1.0 and all subsequent versions unless explicitly superseded.

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