

## **Changes in the ISO 22000 standard**

The major changes to the standard include modifications to its structure as well as clarifying key concepts such as:

**The high level structure (HLS):** in order to make life easier for businesses using more than one management system standard, the new version of ISO 22000:2018 follow the same structure as all the other ISO management system standards, the HLS.

**The risk approach:** the standard now includes a different approach to understanding risk.

**The PDCA cycle:** the standard clarifies the Plan-Do-Check-Act cycle, by having two separate cycles in the standard working together: one covering the management system and the other, covering the principles of HACCP.

**The operation process:** a clear description is given of the differences between key terms such as: Critical Control Points (CCPs), Operational Prerequisite Programmes (oPRPs) and Prerequisite Programmes (PRPs).

Its latest improvements include:

**Adoption of the High-Level Structure** common to all ISO management system standards, making it easier for organizations to combine ISO 22000 with other management systems (such as ISO 9001 or ISO 14001) at a given time

**A new approach to risk** – as a vital concept in the food business – which distinguishes between risk at the operational level and the business level of the management system

**Strong links to the Codex Alimentarius**, a United Nations food group that develops food safety guidelines for governments