

APPLICATIONS UNDER VERSION 6 OF THE FAMI-QS CODE

The launch of the revised Certification System, that happened last October, was a great accomplishment for FAMI-QS.

The **official transition period from version 5.1 to version 6.0 is 3 years**, and FAMI-QS Certificates Version 5.1 will no longer be valid after 1 October 2020. Furthermore, FAMI-QS Secretariat will not accept any applications under Version 5.1 as of 1 October 2019.

FAMI-QS Secretariat is working closely with all parties involved in the process – accreditation bodies, certification bodies – to ensure a smooth transition to version 6. As we are progressively moving towards the new version, the following conditions will be applied:

- 1. FAMI-QS applications under version 6 will open as from 1 February 2018.** Current FAMI-QS certified Operators under version 5.1 can apply as from 1 February 2018 to obtain their revised approval letter for the new scope.
- FAMI-QS Certified Operators under version 5.1 which will be in process for re-certification, between 1 January 2018 and 1 April 2019 will **proceed for re-certification under version 5.1** and will switch to version 6 in their subsequent surveillance audit.
- 3. New applicants** wanting to become FAMI-QS certified have to do it **under version 5.1 until 1 April 2019.**
- Certification Bodies can only proceed with the provision of FAMI-QS Certification **under version 6 after 1 April 2019.**

The above changes will not have any impact on the official transition period.

For the official transition requirements document, please check our website on <http://www.fami-qs.org/transition-requirement.html>. For more information regarding the transition period, please contact Mr. Emmanuel Geneiatakis at ege@fami-qs.org.

About FAMI-QS

FAMI-QS is the only global Quality and Feed Safety Management System for the sector of Specialty Feed Ingredients. The code addresses safety, quality and regulatory compliance in order to minimize hazards and ensure the placing on the market of safe and legal Specialty Feed Ingredients. FAMI-QS is operating under IAF MLA.

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