



Requirements	Prescriptive, but allow for risk analysis on non-mandatory items	Detailed and prescriptive	Risk based Process certification defined by ISO 22000:2005 Flexible and adaptable Hazard analysis can be used in many areas of the supply chain
Quality Requirements	Separate Quality Code optional, SQFI based	Included	Quality module, FSSC 22000-Q, available with integration of ISO 9001:2015
PRPs	Prescriptive, but allow for risk analysis on non-mandatory items	Very detailed and prescriptive	Risk based and determined by the sector
Building and Equip Design	Very detailed and prescriptive	Very detailed and prescriptive	Less specific but risk based
Formal Training	SQF Practitioner requires HACCP	None, just competency	None specified, just competency
Audit Delivery	Document, Facility, Recertification, Surveillance (rating dependent)	Certification and Recertification	Stage 1 and 2 for Certification, Annual Surveillance and Recertification
Auditor Rotation	3 cycles	3 cycles	6 years
Non-Conformity Definition	Minor (1 point), Major (10 points), Critical (50 points)	Minor, Major, Critical	Minor, Major, Critical
Audit Scoring	96 to 100: Excellent 86 to 95: Good 70 to 85: Compliant < 70: Fails to Comply	AA: 5 or fewer minor NCs A: 6 to 10 minor NCs B: 11-16 minor NCs or 1 Major NC and 10 or fewer minor NCs C: 17-24 minor NCs or 1 Major NC and 11 to 16 fewer minor NCs or 2 Major NCs and 10 or fewer minor NCs D: 25 to 30 minor NCs or 1 Major NC and 17 to 24 fewer minor NCs or 2 Major NCs and 11 to 16 minor NCs Not Certified: 1 or more Critical or 31 or more minor NCs or 1 Major NC and 25 or more minor NCs or 2 Major NCs and 17 or more minor NCs	Pass or Fail
Certificate Validity	1 year	1 year for rating of AA to B; 6 months for C or D	3 years
Surveillance Audits	Yes, if rating is Complies (6 months)	Corrective Action Follow-up if D rating	Annual
Unannounced Audits	Yes, one in 3 year certification cycle; option for full announced and marked as "SQFI Select Site"	Option available as stand alone, not mandated. If option selected, grade of audit has a "+" included	Yes, one of two surveillance audits, CB determined
Audit Length	SQF Calculation Based	BRC Calculation Based	ISO 22000 based
Logo Use	If Quality Code, on products	Not on products, promotional only	Not on products, promotional only
Scheme Pass-through Fee	Annual fee paid by site during registration Fee dependent in gross annual sales revenue	Included in Eurofins Quote	Included in Eurofins Quote