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Contract Certification Bodies

CC: Contract Accreditation Bodies

**Notice Cancellation of JFSM\_2021\_C01N06 and C01P19\_R00 and revised document of C01P19\_R01**

Japan Food Safety Management Association

Thank you for your continuous support and cooperation to the activities of Japan Food Safety Management Association (JFSM).

JFSM would like to inform you to cancel both JFSM\_2021\_C01N06 dated 22 October 2021 that "Notice Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program" and the Provision document due to a number of errors and inappropriate notations in the figures and tables of the Provision in "C01P19\_R00\_Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program". JFSM would like to inform the revised document "C01P19\_R01\_Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program"

## Descriptions

**Revising from "C01P19\_R00\_Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program" to "C01P19\_R01" is only figures and tables replaced. The text remains unchanged from "C01P19\_R00".**

**Please see recited summary written in C01N06 below.**

**➤ Outline of the "Provision for the preparation of audit reports for the JFS-C certification program"**

As a corrective action to the findings of GFSI BR2020.1, Re-recognition process, we set up "Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program" to detail the contents of 5.2.3 of the certification program document Ver.3.1.

GFSI pointed three findings as followed. In order to respond to these findings these are summaries of what has been incorporated into "Provision for Preparation of Audit Reports for the JFS-C Certification Program"

1. . (Finding) No stated starting and ending Dates are given as a timeline for issuing the audit report.
- 1) (Response) Defined the timeline as "In principle, the audit report shall be delivered to the organization no later than 75 days after the last day of the audit\*. and establishes a timeline for the delivery of the audit report.

\* In case of remote audit based on ICT, the timeline shall be 75 days from the date of completion of the audit including remote and on-site audit.

2. (Finding) Certification Program Document Ver. 3.1
- 5.2.3 1) No requirement to describe the evaluation evidence based on the assessment of all requirements (both conformity and non-conformity).
- 2) (Response) b) Summary of assessment result
- b)-1 When describing the evaluation for judgement of conformity or non-conformity for all items in the summary of audit results, the knowledge and skills to analyze, verify and organize audit evidence in Annex 2 1.7 shall be used to summarize the audit findings. If the evidence of conformity for each item is explained in the b)-2 summary, then d) there is no need to duplicate the individual assessment results (conformity/nonconformity) for all requirements.
- d) Individual evaluation results for all requirements (conformity/nonconformity)
- d)-1 To describe the conformity of the results of the assessment to the requirements of all clauses, using the ability to analyze, verify and organize audit evidence mentioned in Annex 2 1 1.7
- 3) (Finding) If there is a remote audit, it should be clearly stated in the audit plan and in the items. (Response) To note the statement on 5.2.2 4) ② “Certification bodies shall plan and conduct audits according to the requirements defined by JFSM that allow remote audits and the requirements to be confirmed in on-site audits.” to the details given in provision.

As the above points were not clearly stated in the program document, although the intention was clear, we will prepare this provision with more details, including diagrams and charts, and complete the corrective action to GFSI by issuing it to the certification body.