

# FSSC 22000 OVERVIEW: A GFSI BENCHMARKED CERTIFICATION



## What is FSSC 22000 and what are the benefits?

Food Safety System Certification 22000 (FSSC 22000) is a unique GFSI benchmarked certification standard that is able to save you time and money if you are already ISO 22000 certified. FSSC 22000 combines the requirements of ISO 22000 with the ISO technical standards that describe requirements for pre-requisite programs, and a few additional requirements to ensure consistency and integrity in food safety programs.

If you are already ISO 22000 certified, you only need to be reviewed against the appropriate technical standard and additional requirements to meet FSSC 22000.



22002-1  
for food



22002-4  
for packaging



22002-6  
for animal feed

## ADDITIONAL BENEFITS OF FSSC 22000 ARE THAT IT:

- > Is an ISO-based food safety management system and integrates nicely with other ISO-based management systems including ISO 9001, ISO 14000 and others
- > Can be applied to a wide range of food, feed and packaging manufacturers no matter how big or how complex their processes
- > Prepares your organization to meet many or most FSMA requirements
- > Provides guidance for smaller organizations to follow an externally developed system
- > Is used by major brands around the world and it is helpful for suppliers to align with the same model
- > Is globally recognized and used by some of the world's largest manufacturers and retailers around the world



## WHOM DOES IT APPLY TO?

FSSC 22000 was developed to certify food, feed and packaging safety systems of companies in the food chain that process or manufacture animal products, perishable vegetable products, products with a long shelf life and other food ingredients like additives, vitamins and bio-cultures.

While ISO 22000 is applicable to any organization in the food industry (including farms, manufacturers, transporters, packagers and retailers), FSSC 22000 applies only to:

- > Food manufacturers
- > Food processing
- > Feed manufacturing
- > Biochemical manufacturing
- > Food packaging manufacturing



## LOCAL UNDERSTANDING, GLOBAL REACH

NSF's **innovative** food safety audit and certification services; built upon a **world-class integrity** program, **customer focused approach**, and **technical & operational excellence**, deliver confidence and brand protection with a local understanding and global reach.

## HOW DO I LEARN MORE?

To learn more about FSSC 22000 certification, contact NSF and we can help answer your specific questions.

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