


# TRANSITION TO THE SFI 2022 STANDARDS & RULES



Changes adopted by the SFI Inc. Board of Directors to the SFI Standards must be incorporated into a SFI-certified organization's policies, plans, and management activities within one year of adoption and publication. Similarly, changes to certification procedures and qualifications for certification bodies must be accomplished within one year of adoption and publication.

## JANUARY 2022

 **RELEASE OF NEW STANDARDS**

 **ALL NEW CERTIFICATES ISSUED TO 2022 STANDARDS**

## MARCH 2022

 **ALL RE-CERTIFICATIONS ISSUED TO NEW STANDARDS**

 **ALL SURVEILLANCE AUDITS ISSUED TO NEW STANDARDS**

## DECEMBER 2022

 **ALL CERTIFICATES TRANSITIONED**

 **SFI 2022 STANDARDS & RULES REPLACE 2015-2019 STANDARDS & RULES**

## ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

- It is the SFI-certified organization's responsibility to work with the certification body to establish a surveillance audit schedule.
- Nonconformities to SFI 2022 Standards will not adversely affect certification status until December 2022.
- Audits to the new standards will include an assessment of action plans to fully transition to new standards by December 2022.

**MORE DETAILS AVAILABLE IN: [Guidance to SFI 2022 Standards and Rules \(Section 7\)](#), [7. Transition to the SFI 2022 Standards and Rules](#)**