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In October 2016 a new International Standard, IATF 16949:2016, will supersede and replace ISO/TS 16949:2009. The goal of this International Standard is the development of a quality management system that:

• Provides for continual improvement,
• Emphasizes defect prevention,
• Includes specific requirements and tools from automotive industry,
• Promotes reduction of variation and waste in the supply chain.

This International Standard, coupled with applicable customer-specific requirements, defines the fundamental quality management system requirements for automotive production, service and/or accessory parts organizations.

IATF 16949:2016 represents an innovative document with a strong customer orientation. Feedback solicited from certification bodies, auditors, suppliers, and original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) shaped development of this International Standard. IATF 16949:2016 also incorporates common automotive customer-specific requirements.

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Requirements for certification to IATF 16949:2016 will be defined in a new revision of the IATF document Rules for achieving and maintaining IATF recognition, scheduled for release in November 2016.

Guidance for the transition from ISO/TS 16949:2009 to IATF 16949:2016 will provided through a separate document, posted on the IATF Global Oversight website, and distributed separately.