



QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM GUIDELINES – 2017 EDITION		
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PURPOSE

AUS-MEAT advises the **2017 edition** of the following guidance document is now available on the AUS-MEAT Website:

- [Quality Management System Guidelines and Checklist](#) (4th Edition)

In revising these guidelines, AUS-MEAT has recognised the development of the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) Benchmarking process of determining equivalency between food safety management systems and Product Certification programs such as BRC and SQF that follow the [GFSI framework](#).

The Quality Management System (QMS) Guidelines and Checklist have been updated to assist companies integrate the AUS-MEAT operational activities and Accreditation requirements with existing and common QMS elements. These guidelines can be used by processing establishments to develop a QMS and progression towards AUS-MEAT Accreditation.

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Appendix VIII – *Quality Management System Information* will be updated with these changes in the next edition release.

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