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**Title:**

Transition of the CFP Standard to the ISO/IEC 17024 Standard

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

adoption of "ISO/IEC 17024 Conformity Assessment: General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons" to replace the "Conference for Food Protection Standard for the Accreditation of Food Protection Manager Certification Program" over a multi-year transition period. This adoption simply means a swapping of one standard (the Conference Standard) for another equivalent standard (the ISO Standard).

The Conference also recommends that the Food Protection Manager Certification Committee be tasked with:

* developing a multi-year process to gradually transition to the new ISO standard. The transition should occur in stages allowing sufficient time for all accredited certification bodies to meet the new standard and in guidance with the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).
* revising the Committee governing documents to reflect the transition of the Conference standard to the ISO standard, to reflect any additional requirements above the ISO standards that the conference would want to require for Conference Accreditation, and to reflect the conference maintaining control over the Conference accreditation process.

It is the policy of the Conference for Food Protection to not accept Issues that would endorse a brand name or a commercial proprietary process.