

# VDA Volume 6 Part 3

## Process audit

3rd revised version, December 2016

### "Sanctioned interpretations" (SI) and "frequently asked questions" (FAQ)

In future, the other documentation relating to these matters will be specified in the following regulations: "Sanctioned interpretations "(SI) and "Frequently asked questions", which will be issued as required by the VDA QMC in agreement with the VDA QMC 6.3 Working Group:

- A "sanctioned interpretation" (SI) changes the layout of a regulation or stipulation, which is then used as such as the basis for a deviation.
- A "frequently asked question" (FAQ) is an explanation covering an existing regulation or stipulation.

These regulations (SI / FAQ) are specified by the VDA-QMC (in agreement with the VDA QMC 6.3 working group) and are made available via the VDA-QMC Home-page once they have been released. They become binding as from the time of their publication.

## Sanctioned interpretations (SI)

### **SI 01: Transition strategy VDA 6 part 3, 3rd revised edition, December 2016**

In principle, only the current versions of the VDA volumes are valid and therefore relevant for application.

For the application of the current version of VDA 6 part 3 (3rd revised edition, Dec. 2016) a transition period of no more than 18 months (until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018) has been determined.

This means that the implementation of the new requirements including the qualification of the process auditors has to be completed by this date.

As of 1st July 2018 process audits VDA 6 part 3 must be conducted according to 3<sup>rd</sup> revised edition, Dec 2016. Agreements deviating from this may be made if required by customers.

## Frequently asked questions (FAQ)

### **FAQ 01: The question P4.7 is not relevant for product development (even without the note similar to P4.6)**

In principle, the process auditor decides which questions of the respective process elements are relevant and to be evaluated. A justification for any question that is not evaluated is to be given. The questions P4.6 and P4.7 are in principle not relevant when evaluating the implementation of product development. An indication of this was given in question P4.6 and this also applies to question P4.7. The evaluation tool considers this by separating the respective evaluations from product development and process development.

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