



Fee

**99,00 €**

Final exam only

# Course technical sheet

Auditor/Lead Auditor BRCGS / IFS (GFSI schemes – retail supply chain)

Course code

**BRCGS\_IFS\_LA**

Test duration

**75 min**

Passing score

**70%**

Issued

**28/05/2026**

## Executive summary

The course "Auditor/Lead Auditor BRCGS / IFS (GFSI schemes – retail supply chain)" is intended for professionals aiming to gain advanced skills in auditing and managing systems according to BRCGS and IFS standards, widely recognized in the global retail food supply chain. The training focuses on practical application of GFSI principles and ISO 19011 guidelines to conduct effective certification and surveillance audits, both onsite and remotely. By examining complex case studies, such as organizations with heterogeneous IT systems, high-risk sites, outsourced processes, and critical compliance scenarios, participants will develop competencies in risk-based planning, multi-site sampling, audit team management, writing non-conformities and post-audit follow-ups. The course enhances methodological approaches ensuring integrity, impartiality, and confidentiality—essential in auditing activities. It is targeted at auditors, lead auditors, and quality professionals involved in certification processes within the retail supply chain and GFSI sectors.

## Certification process

- Registration or login to the Academy platform.
- Completion of the final course examination only. Any training or preparation may be completed externally or through other channels.
- The test questions refer to the objectives, skills and topics described in this technical sheet.
- Assessment of the result, possible validation and certificate issuance according to the rules applicable to the course.

## Important note

On Academy, candidates take only the final course examination. Any training or preparation activity may be delivered externally or through other channels. The test questions refer to the topics described in this technical sheet and in the course syllabus summary.

## Syllabus summary

BRCGS; IFS; GFSI principles; ISO 19011

## Learning Objectives

Acquire knowledge and skills to conduct audits according to BRCGS and IFS standards in the retail supply chain, applying GFSI principles and ISO 19011 guidelines.

## Skills Acquired

- Risk-based audit planning and execution

### Certification Bodies Management systems

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- Audit team management and professional report writing
- Evaluation and classification of non-conformities
- Application of integrity, impartiality, and confidentiality principles

**Target Audience**

Auditors, lead auditors, quality managers, food safety professionals, and supply chain controllers in the retail sector.

**Prerequisites**

Basic knowledge of BRCGS and IFS standards and system auditing concepts.

**Course Content**

- Introduction to BRCGS, IFS, and GFSI principles
- ISO 19011 and ISO/IEC 17021-1 audit frameworks
- Risk-based audit planning and sampling
- Auditor competence and team management
- Writing verifiable NCs and follow-up management
- Remote auditing and multi-standard integration
- Case studies and advanced simulations

**Teaching Methodology**

Lectures, real case study analysis, practical exercises, and group discussions.

**Evaluation Method**

Final test requiring a minimum 70% correct answers.

**Duration**

75 minutes.

**Certification**

Certificate of completion upon passing the test, optional certification fee of €99.00.

**Expected Outcomes**

Ability to perform audits compliant with BRCGS and IFS schemes, ensuring quality, safety, and compliance in the retail food supply chain.