

# MarinTrust COVID-19 Policy transition document from V2.0 to V3.0

## About this document

As the COVID-19 Global Pandemic begins to subside, travel restrictions are lifted, and economies begin to recover, MarinTrust has published Version 3.0 of the COVID Policy to facilitate the process of returning to 'normal' auditing activities and lifting the need for the *Process on Handling Remote and Enhanced Remote Factory and MarinTrust Chain of Custody Audits during Extraordinary Events of Circumstances*.

This document outlines the changes of significance and is intended to help, certificate holders, Certification Bodies (CBs), and other interested stakeholders and parties, to understand the transition period from Version 2.0 to Version 3.0 of the COVID 19 Policy.

## What are the changes and when will they come into effect?

Version 3.0 of the COVID Policy shall be **effective from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022** and shall supersede and replace V2.0 issued February 2022.

The updated Policy outlines that the validity shall be for the COVID19 pandemic **where travel restrictions remain in place in affected countries under the local legislation in which the facilities are situated**.

It is important to note that individual company policies of COVID restrictions shall not be accepted.

Any initial, surveillance, or recertification audits due to fall from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 onwards shall be subject to the requirements outlined in Version 3.0 of the COVID Policy.