

The below table compares the requirements in ED-220¹ (left column of the table) and the requirements in the final proposed ISA 220 (Revised) (right column of the table). Where additional requirement paragraphs have been added in proposed ISA 220 (Revised), the corresponding ED-220 column will be empty. The purpose of the table is explained in **Agenda Item 4** and **Agenda Item 4-D**. The requirements in the proposed ISA 220 (Revised) column are not necessarily in numerical order because of changes since the ED.

Table of Comparison Between Requirements in ED-220 and Proposed ISA 220 (Revised)

ED-220 Requirements	Proposed ISA 220 (Revised) Requirements
Introduction	Introduction
Scope of this ISA	Scope of this ISA
<p>1. This International Standard on Auditing (ISA) deals with the specific responsibilities of the auditor regarding quality management at the engagement level for an audit of financial statements, and the related responsibilities of the engagement partner. This ISA is to be read in conjunction with relevant ethical requirements. (Ref: Para. A1–A2)</p>	<p>1. This International Standard on Auditing (ISA) deals with the specific responsibilities of the auditor regarding quality management at the engagement level for an audit of financial statements, and the related responsibilities of the engagement partner. This ISA is to be read in conjunction with relevant ethical requirements. (Ref: Para. A1, A37)</p>
The Firm's System of Quality Management and Role of Engagement Teams	
<p>2. The firm is responsible for the system of quality management. Under proposed ISQM 1, the objective of the firm is to design, implement and operate a system of quality management for audits or reviews of financial statements, or other assurance or related services engagements performed by the firm, that provides the firm with reasonable assurance that:</p> <p>(a) The firm and its personnel fulfill their responsibilities in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements, and conduct engagements in accordance with such standards and requirements; and</p>	<p>2. The firm is responsible for designing, implementing, and operating the system of quality management. Under proposed ISQM 1, the objective of the firm is to design, implement and operate a system of quality management for audits or reviews of financial statements, or other assurance or related services engagements performed by the firm, that provides the firm with reasonable assurance that: (Ref: Para. A13–A14)</p> <p>(a) The firm and its personnel fulfill their responsibilities in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements, and conduct engagements in accordance with such standards and requirements; and</p>

¹ Exposure Draft, [Proposed International Standard on Auditing \(ISA\) 220, Quality Management for an Audit of Financial Statements](#)

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(b) Engagement reports issued by the firm or engagement partners are appropriate in the circumstances. ² (Ref: Para. A3, A14–A15)	(b) Engagement reports issued by the firm or engagement partners are appropriate in the circumstances. ³
3. This ISA is premised on the basis that the firm is subject to the ISQMs or to national requirements that are at least as demanding. (Ref: Para. A4)	3. This ISA is premised on the basis that the firm is subject to the ISQMs or to national requirements that are at least as demanding. (Ref: Para. A2–A3)
4. The engagement team, led by the engagement partner, is responsible, within the context of the firm’s system of quality management and through complying with the requirements of this ISA, for:	4. The engagement team, led by the engagement partner, is responsible, within the context of the firm’s system of quality management and through complying with the requirements of this ISA, for: (Ref: Para. A4–A12)
(a) Implementing the firm’s responses to quality risks (i.e., the firm’s policies or procedures) that are applicable to the audit engagement using information communicated by, or obtained from, the firm; (Ref: Para. A5–A8)	(a) Implementing the firm’s responses to quality risks (i.e., the firm’s policies or procedures) that are applicable to the audit engagement using information communicated by, or obtained from, the firm;
(b) Given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, determining whether to design and implement responses beyond those set forth in the firm’s policies or procedures; and (Ref: Para. A9–A10)	(b) Given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, determining whether to design and implement responses at the engagement level beyond those in the firm’s policies or procedures; and
(c) Providing the firm with information from the audit engagement to support the design, implementation, and operation of the firm’s system of quality management that is required to be communicated in accordance with the firm’s policies or procedures. (Ref: Para. A11)	(c) Communicate to the firm information from the audit engagement that is required to be communicated by the firm’s policies or procedures to support the design, implementation and operation of the firm’s system of quality management.
5. Complying with the requirements in other ISAs may provide information that is relevant to quality management at the engagement level. (Ref: Para. A12)	5. Complying with the requirements in other ISAs may provide information that is relevant to quality management at the engagement level. (Ref: Para. A12)

² Proposed ISQM 1, *Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements*, paragraph 21

³ Proposed ISQM 1, paragraph 21

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<p>6. The public interest is served by the consistent performance of quality audit engagements. Quality audit engagements are achieved through planning and performing engagements and reporting on them in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements. Achieving the objectives of those standards and complying with the requirements of applicable law or regulation involves exercising professional judgment and exercising professional skepticism. (Ref: Para. A13)</p>	<p>[Former paragraph 6 relocated to paragraph 11]</p>
<p>7. In accordance with ISA 200,⁴ the engagement partner and other members of the engagement team are required to plan and perform an audit with professional skepticism and to exercise professional judgment. In doing so, the engagement partner and engagement team exercise professional judgment and professional skepticism in meeting the objective and requirements of this ISA. Professional judgment is applied in making informed decisions about the courses of action that are appropriate to manage and achieve quality given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. Professional skepticism supports the quality of judgments made by the engagement team and, through these judgments, supports the overall effectiveness of the engagement team in achieving quality at the engagement level. The appropriate exercise of professional skepticism may be demonstrated through the actions and communications of the engagement partner and other members of the engagement team. Such actions and communications may include specific steps to deal with impediments that may impair the appropriate exercise of professional skepticism, such as unconscious bias or resource constraints. (Ref: Para. A27–A29)</p>	<p>6. In accordance with ISA 200,⁵ the engagement team is required to plan and perform an audit with professional skepticism and to exercise professional judgment. Professional judgment is exercised in making informed decisions about the courses of action that are appropriate to manage and achieve quality given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. Professional skepticism supports the quality of judgments made by the engagement team and, through these judgments, supports the overall effectiveness of the engagement team in achieving quality at the engagement level. The appropriate exercise of professional skepticism may be demonstrated through the actions and communications of the engagement team. Such actions and communications may include specific steps to mitigate impediments that may impair the appropriate exercise of professional skepticism, such as unconscious bias or resource constraints. (Ref: Para. A32–A35)</p>
	<p><i>Scalability</i></p>

⁴ ISA 200, *Overall Objectives of the Independent Auditor and the Conduct of an Audit in Accordance with International Standards on Auditing*, paragraphs 15–16

⁵ ISA 200, *Overall Objectives of the Independent Auditor and the Conduct of an Audit in Accordance with International Standards on Auditing*, paragraphs 15–16 and A20–A24

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N/A	<p>7. The requirements of this ISA are intended to be applied in the context of the nature and circumstances of each audit. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) When an audit is carried out entirely by the engagement partner, which may be the case for an audit of a less complex entity, some requirements in this ISA are not relevant because they are conditional on the involvement of other members of the engagement team. (Ref: Para. A13–A14) (b) When an audit is not carried out entirely by the engagement partner or in an audit of an entity whose nature and circumstances are more complex, the engagement partner may assign the design or performance of some procedures, tasks or actions to other members of the engagement team.
N/A	The Engagement Partner’s Responsibilities
N/A	<p>8. The engagement partner remains ultimately responsible, and therefore accountable, for compliance with the requirements of this ISA. For those requirements that the engagement partner is permitted to assign the design or performance of procedures, tasks or actions to appropriately skilled or suitably experienced members of the engagement team, the term “the engagement partner shall take responsibility for...” is used. In all other circumstances, this ISA expressly intends that a requirement or responsibility be fulfilled by the engagement partner. To fulfill the requirement, the engagement partner may obtain information from the firm or other members of the engagement team. For example, the firm or other members of the engagement team may provide information about the competence and capabilities of the engagement team, auditor’s external experts, and internal auditors to the engagement partner in relation to the determination required by paragraph 30. (Ref: Para. A22–A24)</p>
Effective Date	Effective Date

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8. This ISA is effective for audits of financial statements for periods beginning on or after [Date].	9. This ISA is effective for audits of financial statements for periods beginning on or after [Date].
Objective	Objective
9. The objective of the auditor is to manage quality at the engagement level to obtain reasonable assurance that quality has been achieved such that: (a) The auditor has fulfilled the auditor’s responsibilities, and has conducted the audit, in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements; and (b) The auditor’s report issued is appropriate in the circumstances.	10. The objective of the auditor is to manage quality at the engagement level to obtain reasonable assurance that quality has been achieved such that: (a) The auditor has fulfilled the auditor’s responsibilities, and has conducted the audit, in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements; and (b) The auditor’s report issued is appropriate in the circumstances.
[Moved from paragraph 6]	11. [Relocated from former paragraph 6]The public interest is served by the consistent performance of quality audit engagements through achieving the objective of this standard and other ISAs for each engagement. A quality audit engagement is achieved through planning and performing the engagement and reporting on it in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements. Achieving the objectives of those standards and complying with the requirements of applicable law or regulation involves exercising professional judgment and exercising professional skepticism exercising professional skepticism.
Definitions	Definitions
10. For purposes of the ISAs, the following terms have the meanings attributed below:	12. For purposes of the ISAs, the following terms have the meanings attributed below:
(a) Engagement partner ⁶ – The partner, or other individual appointed by the firm, who is responsible for the audit engagement and its performance, and for the auditor’s report that is issued on behalf	(a) Engagement partner ⁷ – The partner or other individual appointed by the firm, who is responsible for the audit engagement and its performance, and for the auditor’s report that is issued on behalf

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of the firm, and who, where required, has the appropriate authority from a professional, legal or regulatory body.	of the firm, and who, where required, has the appropriate authority from a professional, legal, or regulatory body.
(b) Engagement quality review – An objective evaluation of the significant judgments made by the engagement team and the conclusions reached thereon that is completed on or before the date of the engagement report.	(b) Engagement quality review – An objective evaluation of the significant judgments made by the engagement team and the conclusions reached thereon, performed by the engagement quality reviewer and completed on or before the date of the engagement report.
(c) Engagement quality reviewer – A suitably qualified partner or other individual appointed by the firm to be responsible for the performance of the engagement quality review.	(c) Engagement quality reviewer – A partner, other individual in the firm, or an external individual appointed by the firm to perform the engagement quality review.
(d) Engagement team – All partners and staff performing the audit engagement, and any other individuals who perform audit procedures on the engagement, including individuals engaged by the firm or a network firm. The engagement team excludes an auditor’s external expert engaged by the firm or a network firm, ⁸ and also excludes individuals within the client’s internal audit function who provide direct assistance on an engagement when the external auditor complies with the requirements of ISA 610 (Revised 2013). ⁹ (Ref: Para. A16–A19)	(d) Engagement team – All partners and staff performing the audit engagement, and any other individuals who perform audit procedures on the engagement, excluding an auditor’s external expert engaged by the firm or a network firm ¹⁰ and internal auditors who provide direct assistance on an engagement. ¹¹ (Ref: Para. A15–A24)
(e) Firm – A sole practitioner, partnership or corporation or other entity of professional accountants, or public sector equivalent. (Ref: Para. A20)	(e) Firm – A sole practitioner, partnership, or corporation or other entity of professional accountants, or public sector equivalent. (Ref: Para. A25)

⁸ ISA 620, *Using the Work of an Auditor’s Expert*, paragraph 6(a), defines the term “auditor’s expert.”

⁹ ISA 610 (Revised 2013), *Using the Work of Internal Auditors*, establishes limits on the use of direct assistance. It also acknowledges that the external auditor may be prohibited by law or regulation from obtaining direct assistance from internal auditors. Therefore, the use of direct assistance is restricted to situations where it is permitted.

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(f) Network firm – A firm or entity that belongs to a network. (Ref: Para. A21)	(f) Network firm – A firm or entity that belongs to a network. (Ref: Para. A26)
(g) Network – A larger structure: (Ref: Para. A21) (i) That is aimed at cooperation, and (ii) That is clearly aimed at profit or cost-sharing or shares common ownership, control or management, common quality management policies or procedures, common business strategy, the use of a common brand name, or a significant part of professional resources.	(g) Network – A larger structure: (Ref: Para. A26) (i) That is aimed at cooperation, and (ii) That is clearly aimed at profit or cost-sharing or shares common ownership, control, or management, common quality management policies or procedures, common business strategy, the use of a common brand name, or a significant part of professional resources.
(h) Partner – Any individual with authority to bind the firm with respect to the performance of a professional services engagement.	(h) Partner – Any individual with authority to bind the firm with respect to the performance of a professional services engagement.
(i) Personnel – Partners and staff.	(i) Personnel – Partners and staff.
(j) Professional standards – International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and relevant ethical requirements.	(j) Professional standards – International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and relevant ethical requirements.
(k) Relevant ethical requirements – Principles of professional ethics and ethical requirements that are applicable to professional accountants when undertaking the audit engagement. Relevant ethical requirements ordinarily comprise the provisions of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' <i>International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)</i> (IESBA Code) related to audits of financial statements, together with national requirements that are more restrictive.	(k) Relevant ethical requirements – Principles of professional ethics and ethical requirements that are applicable to professional accountants when undertaking the audit engagement. Relevant ethical requirements ordinarily comprise the provisions of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' <i>International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)</i> (IESBA Code) related to audits of financial statements, together with national requirements that are more restrictive.
(l) Response (in relation to a system of quality management) – Policies or procedures designed and implemented by the firm to address a quality risk:	(l) Response (in relation to a system of quality management) – Policies or procedures designed and implemented by the firm to address one or more quality risk(s):

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<p>(i) Policies are statements of what should, or should not, be done to address a quality risk. Such statements may be documented, explicitly stated in communications or implied through actions and decisions.</p> <p>(ii) Procedures are actions to implement policies.</p>	<p>(i) Policies are statements of what should, or should not, be done to address a quality risk(s). Such statements may be documented, explicitly stated in communications or implied through actions and decisions.</p> <p>(ii) Procedures are actions to implement policies.</p>
<p>(m) Staff – Professionals, other than partners, including any experts the firm employs.</p>	<p>(m) Staff – Professionals, other than partners, including any experts the firm employs.</p>
Requirements	Requirements
Leadership Responsibilities for Managing and Achieving Quality on Audits	Leadership Responsibilities for Managing and Achieving Quality on Audits
<p>11. The engagement partner shall take overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement, including taking responsibility for creating an environment for the engagement that emphasizes the firm's culture and expected behavior of engagement team members. In doing so, the engagement partner shall be sufficiently and appropriately involved throughout the engagement such that the engagement partner has the basis for determining whether the significant judgments made and the conclusions reached are appropriate given the nature and circumstances of the engagement. (Ref: Para. A22–A29)</p>	<p>13. The engagement partner shall take overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement, including taking responsibility for creating an environment for the engagement that emphasizes the firm's culture and expected behavior of engagement team members. In doing so, the engagement partner shall be sufficiently and appropriately involved throughout the audit engagement such that the engagement partner has the basis for determining whether the significant judgments made, and the conclusions reached, are appropriate given the nature and circumstances of the engagement. (Ref: A27–A36)</p>
<p>12. In creating the environment described in paragraph 11, the engagement partner, and others to whom supervisory roles are assigned, shall take clear, consistent and effective actions that reflect the firm's commitment to quality and establish and communicate the expected behavior of engagement team members, including:</p>	<p>14. In creating the environment described in paragraph 13, the engagement partner shall take responsibility for clear, consistent and effective actions being taken that reflect the firm's commitment to quality and establish and communicate the expected behavior of engagement team members, including emphasizing: (Ref: Para. A30–A35)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>(a) The public interest;</p>

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(a) Emphasizing that all engagement team members are responsible for contributing to the management and achievement of quality at the engagement level;	(b) That all engagement team members are responsible for contributing to the management and achievement of quality at the engagement level;
(b) Reinforcing the importance of professional ethics, values, and attitudes to the members of the engagement team;	(c) The importance of professional ethics, values and attitudes to the members of the engagement team;
(c) Encouraging open and robust communication within the engagement team, and supporting the ability of engagement team members to raise concerns without fear of reprisal; and	(d) The importance of open and robust communication within the engagement team, and supporting the ability of engagement team members to raise concerns without fear of reprisal; and
(d) Emphasizing the importance of each engagement team member exercising professional skepticism throughout the audit engagement.	(e) The importance of each engagement team member exercising professional skepticism throughout the audit engagement.
<p>13. If the engagement partner assigns procedures, tasks or actions to other members of the engagement team to assist the engagement partner in complying with the requirements of this ISA, the engagement partner shall continue to take overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement. When assigning procedures, tasks or actions to other members of the engagement team, the engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A30)</p> <p>(a) Appropriately inform assignees about the nature of their responsibilities and authority, the scope of the work being assigned, the objectives thereof and any other necessary instructions and relevant information; and</p> <p>(b) Monitor the performance of the work of assignees and review selected related documentation in order to evaluate the conclusions reached.</p>	<p>15. If the engagement partner assigns the design or performance of procedures, tasks or actions related to a requirement of this ISA to other members of the engagement team to assist the engagement partner in complying with the requirements of this ISA, the engagement partner shall continue to take overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement through direction and supervision of those members of the engagement team, and review of their work. (Ref: Para. 8, A36)</p>
Relevant Ethical Requirements, Including Those Related to Independence	Relevant Ethical Requirements, Including Those Related to Independence
14. The engagement partner shall have an understanding of the relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, that are	16. The engagement partner shall have an understanding of the relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, that are

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applicable given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A31–A35, A41)	applicable given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A37–A41, A47)
<p>15. The engagement partner shall determine that other members of the engagement team have been made aware of relevant ethical requirements that are applicable given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, and the firm’s related policies or procedures, including those that deal with: (Ref: Para. A33–A35)</p> <p>(a) Identifying, evaluating, and addressing threats to compliance with relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence;</p> <p>(b) Circumstances that may cause a breach of relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, and their responsibilities when they become aware of actual or suspected breaches; and</p> <p>(c) Their responsibilities when they become aware of an instance of actual or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations.¹²</p>	<p>17. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for other members of the engagement team having been made aware of relevant ethical requirements that are applicable given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, and the firm’s related policies or procedures, including those that address: (Ref: Para. A22–A24, A39–A43)</p> <p>(a) Identifying, evaluating and addressing threats to compliance with relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence;</p> <p>(b) Circumstances that may cause a breach of relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, and the responsibilities of members of the engagement team when they become aware of breaches; and</p> <p>(c) The responsibilities of members of the engagement team when they become aware of an instance of non-compliance with laws and regulations.¹³</p>
<p>16. If matters come to the engagement partner’s attention that indicate that a threat to compliance with relevant ethical requirements exists, the engagement partner shall evaluate such threats through complying with the firm’s policies or procedures, using relevant information from the firm, the engagement team, or other sources and take appropriate action. (Ref: Para. A36–A37)</p>	<p>18. If matters come to the engagement partner’s attention that indicate that a threat to compliance with relevant ethical requirements exists, the engagement partner shall evaluate the threats through complying with the firm’s policies or procedures, using relevant information from the firm, the engagement team or other sources, and take appropriate action. (Ref: Para. A42–A43)</p>
<p>17. The engagement partner shall remain alert throughout the audit engagement, through observation and making inquiries as necessary, for actual or suspected breaches of relevant ethical requirements or the</p>	<p>19. The engagement partner shall remain alert throughout the audit engagement, through observation and making inquiries as necessary, for breaches of relevant ethical requirements or the firm’s related</p>

¹² ISA 250 (Revised), *Considerations of Laws and Regulations in an Audit of Financial Statements*

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firm's related policies or procedures by members of the engagement team. (Ref: Para. A38)	policies or procedures by members of the engagement team. (Ref: Para. A44)
18. If matters come to the engagement partner's attention through the firm's system of quality management, or from other sources, that indicate that relevant ethical requirements applicable to the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement have not been fulfilled, the engagement partner, in consultation with others in the firm, shall take appropriate action. (Ref: Para. A39)	20. If matters come to the engagement partner's attention through the firm's system of quality management, or from other sources, that indicate that relevant ethical requirements applicable to the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement have not been fulfilled, the engagement partner, in consultation with others in the firm, shall take appropriate action. (Ref: Para. A45)
19. Prior to dating the auditor's report, the engagement partner shall determine whether relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, have been fulfilled. (Ref: Para. A40)	21. Prior to dating the auditor's report, the engagement partner shall take responsibility for determining whether relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence, have been fulfilled. (Ref: Para. A37 and A46)
Acceptance and Continuance of Client Relationships and Audit Engagements	Acceptance and Continuance of Client Relationships and Audit Engagements
20. The engagement partner shall be satisfied that the firm's policies or procedures for the acceptance and continuance of client relationships and audit engagements have been followed, and shall determine that conclusions reached in this regard are appropriate. (Ref: Para. A42–A45, A51)	22. The engagement partner shall determine that the firm's policies or procedures for the acceptance and continuance of client relationships and audit engagements have been followed, and that conclusions reached in this regard are appropriate. (Ref: Para. A48–A51, A57)
21. The engagement partner shall take into account information obtained in the acceptance and continuance process in planning and performing the audit engagement in accordance with the ISAs and complying with the requirements of this ISA. (Ref: Para. A46–A49)	23. The engagement partner shall take into account information obtained in the acceptance and continuance process in planning and performing the audit engagement in accordance with the ISAs and complying with the requirements of this ISA. (Ref: Para. A52–A55)
22. If the engagement partner obtains information that may have caused the firm to decline the audit engagement had that information been known by the firm prior to accepting or continuing the client relationship or specific engagement, the engagement partner shall communicate	24. If the engagement team becomes aware of information that may have caused the firm to decline the audit engagement had that information been known by the firm prior to accepting or continuing the client relationship or specific engagement, the engagement partner shall communicate that information promptly to the firm, so that the firm and

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that information promptly to the firm, so that the firm and the engagement partner can take the necessary action. (Ref: Para. A50)	the engagement partner can take the necessary action. (Ref: Para. A56)
Engagement Resources	Engagement Resources
23. The engagement partner shall determine that, given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement (and any changes that may arise during its course), sufficient and appropriate resources to perform the engagement are assigned or made available to the engagement team by the firm on a timely basis. (Ref: Para. A52–A61, A63–A64, A67)	25. The engagement partner shall determine that sufficient and appropriate resources to perform the engagement are assigned or made available to the engagement team in a timely manner, taking into account the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, the firm’s policies or procedures, and any changes that may arise during the engagement. (Ref: Para. A58–A69, A73–A74, A79)
24. The engagement partner shall determine that members of the engagement team, and any auditor’s experts who are not part of the engagement team, collectively have the appropriate competence and capabilities, including sufficient time, to perform the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A62–A64)	26. The engagement partner shall determine that members of the engagement team, and any auditor’s external experts and internal auditors who provide direct assistance who are not part of the engagement team, collectively have the appropriate competence and capabilities, including sufficient time, to perform the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A61, A70–A74)
25. If, as a result of complying with the requirement in paragraphs 23 and 24, the engagement partner determines that resources assigned or made available by the firm are insufficient or inappropriate in the circumstances of the audit engagement, the engagement partner shall take appropriate action, including communicating with appropriate personnel in the firm about the need to allocate or assign additional or alternative resources to the engagement. (Ref: Para. A65–A66)	27. If, as a result of complying with the requirements in paragraphs 25 and 26, the engagement partner determines that resources assigned or made available are insufficient or inappropriate in the circumstances of the audit engagement, the engagement partner shall take appropriate action, including communicating with appropriate individuals about the need to assign or make available additional or alternative resources to the engagement. (Ref: Para. A75–A78)
26. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for using the resources assigned or made available to the engagement team appropriately, given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A58)	28. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for using the resources assigned or made available to the engagement team appropriately, given the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement. (Ref: Para. A63–A66, A68)

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Engagement Performance	Engagement Performance
<i>Direction, Supervision and Review</i>	<i>Direction, Supervision and Review</i>
<p>27. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for the nature, timing and extent of direction and supervision of the members of the engagement team and the review of the work performed, and determine that such direction, supervision and review is: (Ref: Para A68–A76, A81–A83)</p>	<p>29. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for the direction and supervision of the members of the engagement team and the review of their work. (Ref: Para. A80)</p> <p>30. The engagement partner shall determine that the nature, timing and extent of direction, supervision and review is: (Ref: Para. A81–A89, A94–A97)</p>
<p>(a) Planned and performed in accordance with the firm’s policies or procedures, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements;</p>	<p>(a) Planned¹⁴ and performed in accordance with the firm’s policies or procedures, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements; and</p>
<p>(b) Responsive to the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement and the resources assigned or made available to the engagement; and</p>	<p>(b) Responsive to the nature and circumstances of the audit engagement and the resources assigned or made available to the engagement team by the firm.</p>
<p>(c) Planned and performed on the basis that the work performed by less experienced team members is directed, supervised, and reviewed by more experienced engagement team members.</p>	
<p>28. On or before the date of the auditor’s report, the engagement partner shall, through review of audit documentation and discussion with the engagement team, determine that sufficient appropriate audit evidence has been obtained to support the conclusions reached and for the auditor’s report to be issued. (Ref: Para. A77–A80)</p>	<p>[Relocated to paragraph 32]</p>
<p>29. In complying with the requirements of paragraph 28, the engagement partner shall review audit documentation at appropriate points in time</p>	<p>31. The engagement partner shall review audit documentation at appropriate points in time during the audit engagement, including audit documentation relating to: (Ref: Para. A90–A93)</p>

¹⁴ ISA 300, *Planning an Audit of Financial Statements*, paragraph 11

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during the audit engagement, including audit documentation relating to: (Ref: Para. A77–A80)	
(a) Significant matters; ¹⁵	(a) Significant matters; ¹⁶
(b) Other areas involving significant judgments, especially those relating to difficult or contentious matters identified during the course of the engagement, and the conclusions reached; and	(b) Significant judgments, including those relating to difficult or contentious matters identified during the audit engagement, and the conclusions reached; and
(c) Other matters that, in the engagement partner's professional judgment, are relevant to the engagement partner's responsibilities.	(c) Other matters that, in the engagement partner's professional judgment, are relevant to the engagement partner's responsibilities.
[Relocated from paragraph 28]	32. On or before the date of the auditor's report, the engagement partner shall determine, through review of audit documentation and discussion with the engagement team, that sufficient appropriate audit evidence has been obtained to support the conclusions reached and for the auditor's report to be issued. (Ref: Para. A90–A94)
30. Prior to dating the auditor's report, and in order to determine that the report to be issued will be appropriate in the circumstances, the engagement partner shall review the financial statements and the auditor's report, including, if applicable, the description of the key audit matters ¹⁷ and related audit documentation.	33. Prior to dating the auditor's report, the engagement partner shall review the financial statements and the auditor's report, including, if applicable, the description of the key audit matters ¹⁸ and related audit documentation, to determine that the report to be issued will be appropriate in the circumstances. ¹⁹
31. The engagement partner shall review, prior to their issuance, any formal written communications to management, those charged with governance, or regulatory authorities.	34. The engagement partner shall review, prior to their issuance, formal written communications to management, those charged with governance or regulatory authorities. (Ref: Para. A98)

¹⁵ ISA 230, *Audit Documentation*, paragraph 8

¹⁶ ISA 230, *Audit Documentation*, paragraph 8

¹⁷ ISA 701, *Communicating Key Audit Matters in the Auditor's Report*

¹⁸ ISA 701, *Communicating Key Audit Matters in the Auditor's Report*

¹⁹ ISA 700 (Revised), *Forming an Opinion and Reporting on Financial Statements* or ISA 705 (Revised), *Modifications to the Opinion in the Independent Auditor's Report*

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<i>Consultation</i>	<i>Consultation</i>
32. The engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A84–A87)	35. The engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A99–A102)
<p>(a) Take responsibility for the engagement team undertaking consultation on:</p> <p>(i) Matters where the firm’s policies or procedures require consultation, including on difficult or contentious matters; and</p> <p>(ii) Other matters that in the engagement partner’s professional judgment, require consultation;</p>	<p>(a) Take responsibility for the engagement team undertaking consultation on:</p> <p>(i) Difficult or contentious matters and matters on which the firm’s policies or procedures require consultation; and</p> <p>(ii) Other matters that, in the engagement partner’s professional judgment, require consultation;</p>
<p>(b) Determine that members of the engagement team have undertaken appropriate consultation during the course of the audit engagement, both within the engagement team, and between the engagement team and others at the appropriate level within or outside the firm;</p>	<p>(b) Determine that members of the engagement team have undertaken appropriate consultation during the audit engagement, both within the engagement team, and between the engagement team and others at the appropriate level within or outside the firm;</p>
<p>(c) Determine that the nature and scope of, and conclusions resulting from, such consultations are agreed with the party consulted; and</p>	<p>(c) Determine that the nature and scope of, and conclusions resulting from, such consultations are agreed with the party consulted; and</p>
<p>(d) Determine that conclusions resulting from such consultations have been implemented.</p>	<p>(d) Determine that conclusions agreed have been implemented.</p>
<i>Engagement Quality Review</i>	<i>Engagement Quality Review</i>
33. For audit engagements for which an engagement quality review is required, the engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A88)	36. For audit engagements for which an engagement quality review is required, the engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A103)
<p>(a) Be satisfied that an engagement quality reviewer has been appointed;</p>	<p>(a) Determine that an engagement quality reviewer has been appointed;</p>

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(b) Cooperate with the engagement quality reviewer and inform other members of the engagement team of their responsibility to do so;	(b) Cooperate with the engagement quality reviewer and inform other members of the engagement team of their responsibility to do so;
(c) Discuss significant matters arising during the engagement, including those identified during the engagement quality review, with the engagement quality reviewer; and	(c) Discuss significant matters and significant judgments arising during the audit engagement, including those identified during the engagement quality review, with the engagement quality reviewer; and
(d) Not date the auditor's report until the completion of the engagement quality review. (Ref: Para. A89–A92)	(d) Not date the auditor's report until the completion of the engagement quality review. (Ref: Para. A104–A106)
<i>Differences of Opinion</i>	<i>Differences of Opinion</i>
34. If differences of opinion arise, within the engagement team, or between the engagement team and the engagement quality reviewer or personnel performing activities within the firm's system of quality management, including those who provide consultation, the engagement team shall follow the firm's policies or procedures for dealing with and resolving them. (Ref: Para. A93–A94)	37. If differences of opinion arise within the engagement team, or between the engagement team and the engagement quality reviewer or individuals performing activities within the firm's system of quality management, including those who provide consultation, the engagement team shall follow the firm's policies or procedures for dealing with and resolving such differences of opinion. (Ref: Para. A107–A108)
35. The engagement partner shall:	38. The engagement partner shall:
(a) Take responsibility for differences of opinion being dealt with and resolved in accordance with the firm's policies or procedures;	(a) Take responsibility for differences of opinion being addressed and resolved in accordance with the firm's policies or procedures;
(b) Determine that conclusions reached are documented and implemented; and	(b) Determine that conclusions reached are documented and implemented; and
(c) Not date the auditor's report until any differences of opinion are resolved.	(c) Not date the auditor's report until any differences of opinion are resolved.

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Monitoring and Remediation	Monitoring and Remediation
36. The engagement partner shall: (Ref: Para. A97–A98)	39. The engagement partner shall take responsibility for: (Ref: Para. A109–A112)
(a) Be satisfied that the engagement team has been made aware of results of the firm’s monitoring and remediation process, as communicated by the firm including, as applicable, the results of the monitoring and remediation process of the network or network firms;	(a) Obtaining an understanding of the information from the firm’s monitoring and remediation process, as communicated by the firm including, as applicable, the information from the monitoring and remediation process of the network and across the network firms;
(b) Determine the relevance and effect on the audit engagement of the information referred to in paragraph 36(a) and take appropriate action; and	(b) Determining the relevance and effect on the audit engagement of the information referred to in paragraph 39(a) and take appropriate action; and
(c) Remain alert throughout the audit engagement for information that may be relevant to the firm’s monitoring and remediation process and communicate such information to those responsible for the process.	(c) Remaining alert throughout the audit engagement for information that may be relevant to the firm’s monitoring and remediation process and communicate such information to those responsible for the process.
Taking Overall Responsibility for Managing and Achieving Quality	Taking Overall Responsibility for Managing and Achieving Quality
37. Prior to dating the auditor’s report, the engagement partner shall determine that the engagement partner has taken overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement. In doing so, the engagement partner shall determine that: (Ref: Para. A99–A101)	40. Prior to dating the auditor’s report, the engagement partner shall determine that the engagement partner has taken overall responsibility for managing and achieving quality on the audit engagement. In doing so, the engagement partner shall determine that: (Ref: Para. A113–A116)
(a) The engagement partner’s involvement has been sufficient and appropriate throughout the audit engagement such that the engagement partner has the basis for determining that the significant judgments made and the conclusions reached are appropriate given the nature and circumstances of the engagement; and	(a) The engagement partner’s involvement has been sufficient and appropriate throughout the audit engagement such that the engagement partner has the basis for determining that the significant judgments made and the conclusions reached are appropriate given the nature and circumstances of the engagement; and

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(b) The nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, any changes thereto, and the firm's related policies or procedures, have been taken into account in complying with the requirements of this ISA.	(b) The nature and circumstances of the audit engagement, any changes thereto, and the firm's related policies or procedures, have been taken into account in complying with the requirements of this ISA.
Documentation	Documentation
38. The auditor shall include in the audit documentation: ²⁰ (Ref: Para. A102–A104)	41. In applying ISA 230, the auditor shall include in the audit documentation: ²¹ (Ref: Para. A117–A120)
(a) Matters identified, relevant discussions with firm personnel, and conclusions reached with respect to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Fulfillment of responsibilities relating to relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence. (ii) The acceptance and continuance of the client relationship and audit engagement. 	(a) Matters identified, relevant discussions with personnel, and conclusions reached with respect to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Fulfillment of responsibilities relating to relevant ethical requirements, including those related to independence. (ii) The acceptance and continuance of the client relationship and audit engagement.
(b) The nature and scope of, and conclusions resulting from, consultations undertaken during the course of the audit engagement and how such conclusions were implemented.	(b) The nature and scope of, and conclusions resulting from, consultations undertaken during the audit engagement and how such conclusions were implemented.
(c) If the audit engagement is subject to an engagement quality review, that the engagement quality review has been completed on or before the date of the auditor's report.	(c) If the audit engagement is subject to an engagement quality review, that the engagement quality review has been completed on or before the date of the auditor's report.

²⁰ ISA 230, paragraphs 8-11 and A6

²¹ ISA 230, paragraphs 8–11 and A6