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What this version covers.

This version documents the EU GMP Annex 11-relevant features of GxP-Desk that have been verified as FIT in the codebase:

- **Sections 1–3:** Risk Management (RiskAssessment + RiskItem), Personnel (TrainingCurriculum), Suppliers (Supplier + SupplierAssessment + QualityAgreement)
- **Section 4:** Validation lifecycle (change model, phase gates, V-model with document types)
- **Sections 7–14:** Data storage, audit trail, change management, periodic review, security, electronic signature
- **Sections 15–17:** Batch release (scope definition), business continuity (infrastructure statement), archiving (archivedAt, archive path)
- **Responsibility split:** Platform vs. customer as an explicit concept per section

What this version does **NOT** cover.

- **Section 4.5:** RTM auto-generation from a citation graph (change-level RTM including gap detection is FIT; system-level union/citation graph still open)
- **Section 5:** Automatic data validation and reconciliation
- **Section 6:** Automatic accuracy checks
- **Section 11:** Audit trail digest for periodic review
- **Section 13:** Incident management (no module)
- **Section 15:** Batch-release system integration (too specific)
- **Section 16:** Business continuity with a disaster-recovery playbook (infrastructure statement without code)

Overview: Responsibility Split.

EU GMP Annex 11 explicitly divides responsibility between:

- **Regulated User** (manufacturer or marketing authorization holder): Operates GMP and the QMS
- **Service Provider** (GxP-Desk): Provides the platform infrastructure

This version makes the split transparent section by section.

Sections 1–3: Risk, Personnel, Suppliers.

Section	Topic	Platform	Customer
1	Risk Management	RiskAssessment model with RiskItem (S/P/D/RPN per ICH Q9); FMEA scoring; risk-based test strategy in the Validation Plan	Risk acceptance; risk policy; risk classification thresholds in the QMS
2	Personnel	Roles per system and tenant; training record linkage; SoD enforcement	Job descriptions; training matrix; qualification of the validation team
3	Suppliers & Service Providers	GxP-Desk's ISO 27001 / SOC 2 evidence; quality agreement template; platform validation summary on request	Supplier qualification of GxP-Desk; quality agreement in force; supplier review cycle

Section 4: Validated Lifecycle.

The core spine of Annex 11. GxP-Desk implements it as a standard change pattern.

Sub-Clause	Platform	Customer
4.1 Documented validation lifecycle	Phase-gated change: URS → Risk → VP → IQ/OQ/PQ → VR → Closure; phase locks; signature gates	Validation Master Plan in the QMS; lifecycle policy; closure approver
4.2 Risk-based scope	Risk class drives test depth; coverage rules block under-tested URS items	Risk policy; risk-acceptance authority
4.3 Specifications	URS, Risk, FRS templates; field-level locking; author/reviewer/approver chain	Authoring SOP; subject-matter experts
4.4 Configuration management	System metadata as a configuration baseline; configuration change pattern; baseline captured at change closure	Configuration management policy; baseline ownership
4.5 Traceability	Auto-generated change-level RTM (<code>getTraceabilityMatrix</code>) including gap detection; system-level union/citation graph: Roadmap	Sign-off on the RTM at change closure
4.6 Documentation	Templates; Inspection View; PDF exports (integrity via the audit hash chain + verification JSON, no X.509 PDF signature)	Document management policy; retention policy
4.7 Source-code review (Cat 5 only)	Custom-code review record; static-analysis evidence attachment; reviewer signature	Source-code review SOP; secure-development training
4.8 Test deviations	Deviation records in the change; the platform blocks closure with open critical deviations	Deviation policy; CAPA process

Sections 7–14: Operational Controls.

Section	Topic	Platform	Customer
7	Data storage	Replicated storage; daily integrity checks; retention baseline at the account/tenant level	Retention policy; legal-hold overrides
8	Printouts & Exports	Inspection-ready PDF rendering; machine-readable JSON exports	Printout SOP; archive policy
9	Audit trail	Append-only audit trail at every level; tamper-evident hash chain v2 (immutability trigger, Verify-Report); scope filters (account/tenant /system/change)	Audit trail review SOP; trigger criteria
10	Change & configuration management	Change as a unit of work with the lifecycle DRAFT → SUBMITTED → APPROVED → IN_PROGRESS → COMPLETED → CLOSED; ChangeImpactAssessment model; configuration change pattern	Change-control SOP; change-impact-assessment policy
11	Periodic evaluation	Periodic-review change pattern; review phase with audit context	Periodic-review SOP; cadence policy
12	Security	JWT authentication; SSO (SAML/OIDC) with enforcement; MFA (WebAuthn/TOTP/recovery); RBAC; permission guards; encryption at rest (AES-256, optional BYOK) and in transit (TLS 1.3)	Information-security SOP; access-review cadence

Section	Topic	Platform	Customer
14	Electronic signature	ElectronicSignature model with signerName/signerEmail/meaning/signedAt/content Hash/signatureHash; manifestations visible in the Inspection View; SoD enforcement in the sign flow	E-signature policy; customer SOP for applying signature meanings

Sections 15–17: Final Sections.

Section	Topic	Platform	Customer
15	Batch release	Out of scope. The customer's batch-release system is registered as a separate system; GxP-Desk holds the validation evidence.	Batch-release SOP; QP responsibilities; interface validation (where relevant)
16	Business continuity	Standard Postgres snapshot backups at the hosting provider; the customer can export data via DOCX/PDF at any time	Business-continuity policy; tested fallback procedures; communication chain
17	Archiving	Tenant archival path; read-only frozen tenants; full audit trail export at archival	Archiving SOP; retention horizon consistent with the regulatory floor; scheduled archive review

Validation Model Deep-Dive.

Phase-Gated Changes

GxP-Desk implements validation as a **phase-gated change** with the following model:

- 01 Requirements & Planning:** - URS (User Requirements Specification) — author, review, approve - Risk Assessment — RiskItems with S (Severity), P (Probability), D (Detectability), RPN (Risk Priority Number) - Validation Plan — test strategy, phase gates, coverage rules
- 01 Qualification:** - IQ (Installation Qualification) — system environment validated - OQ (Operational Qualification) — critical functions tested - PQ (Performance Qualification) — business processes validated against the URS
- 01 Closure:** - Validation Report — summary of all test results - Approval Gate — signers (author, QA, approver) must confirm

SoD (Separation of Duties)

- **Author, reviewer and approver are kept separate** (at the role and user level)
- **Signing is blocked if SoD is violated** — the platform evaluates SoD constraints on every signature attempt
- **Role narrowing is allowed, role widening is not** — the role model prevents privilege escalation through role assignment

Document Types

Documents have a type: URS, Risk Assessment, Validation Plan, IQ/OQ/PQ Record, Validation Report, etc. The type controls:

- The templates offered
- The signature meanings (what a signer confirms with that signature)
- The phase gates (in which phases signing is possible)
- The lock behavior (locked after final approval)

Data Scope & Filtering.

Account Scope

- Users and roles
- Tenant lifecycle
- Account-level configuration

Tenant Scope

- Systems (registered computerized systems)
- Changes (validation changes, configuration changes)
- Documents
- Training records

System Scope

- GAMP category (Cat 4 or Cat 5)
- Periodic-review cycle
- Supplier qualification (if the system is an integration)

Change Scope

- Phase and status (URS authored, Risk reviewed, VP approved, IQ running, OQ complete, VR approved, Closed)
- Deliverables and their signatures
- Deviations and CAPAs

Customer Responsibilities — Annex 11 View.

From an Annex 11 perspective, the customer is responsible for:

- 01 **Quality management system:** Documenting and implementing a GMP-conformant QMS
- 02 **Risk management:** Defining risk categorizations; acceptance thresholds
- 03 **Personnel:** Training; competency evidence; job descriptions
- 04 **Supplier qualification:** Assessing GxP-Desk via ISO 27001, SOC 2, the security whitepaper
- 05 **Validation strategy:** Defining test depth, scope and gate criteria per system
- 06 **Change control:** SOP for approval, impact assessment and CAPA integration
- 07 **Periodic review:** Execution, documentation and closure via the periodic-review change

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GLOSSARY

Shared language, **no ambiguity.**

Definitions used throughout this document. Where a term has a specific meaning inside GxP-Desk, the platform-specific definition takes precedence over the generic regulatory term.

CSV	Computerized Systems Validation
GAMP 5	Good Automated Manufacturing Practice, Edition 5 (2nd edition, 2022)
GxP	Good 'x' Practice — covers GMP, GLP, GCP, GDP, GVP
IQ / OQ / PQ	Installation / Operational / Performance Qualification
Part 11	21 CFR Part 11 — US FDA rule on electronic records and electronic signatures
Annex 11	EU GMP Annex 11 — EU rule on computerised systems
URS	User Requirements Specification
FRS	Functional Requirements Specification
RTM	Requirements Traceability Matrix
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
ALCOA+	Attributable, Legible, Contemporaneous, Original, Accurate (+ Complete, Consistent, Enduring, Available)
ICH Q9	International Council for Harmonisation Quality Risk Management guideline

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