



What's *new* in ISO 14001:2026?

The world's most widely used environmental management systems (EMS) standard *is evolving*.



Easier language

The 2026 edition of ISO 14001 introduces editorial improvements that ***make the standard easier to understand, implement, and integrate*** with other management systems.



A worker wearing a yellow hard hat, safety glasses, a blue shirt, and a high-visibility yellow vest is inspecting a large stack of compressed plastic waste. The worker is holding a clipboard and looking at the waste. The background is filled with more stacks of similar waste.

Sharper focus on environmental sustainability

An updated introduction and guidance offer ***stronger alignment with today's environmental priorities***, such as climate action, biodiversity and resource efficiency.



Taking business decisions into account

The updated standard empowers organizations everywhere to *improve performance, cut costs* and *stay compliant*, while building credibility and making a tangible difference for the planet.



Improved usability

The 2026 edition benefits from *better clarity and readability*, making integration with other management systems even smoother.





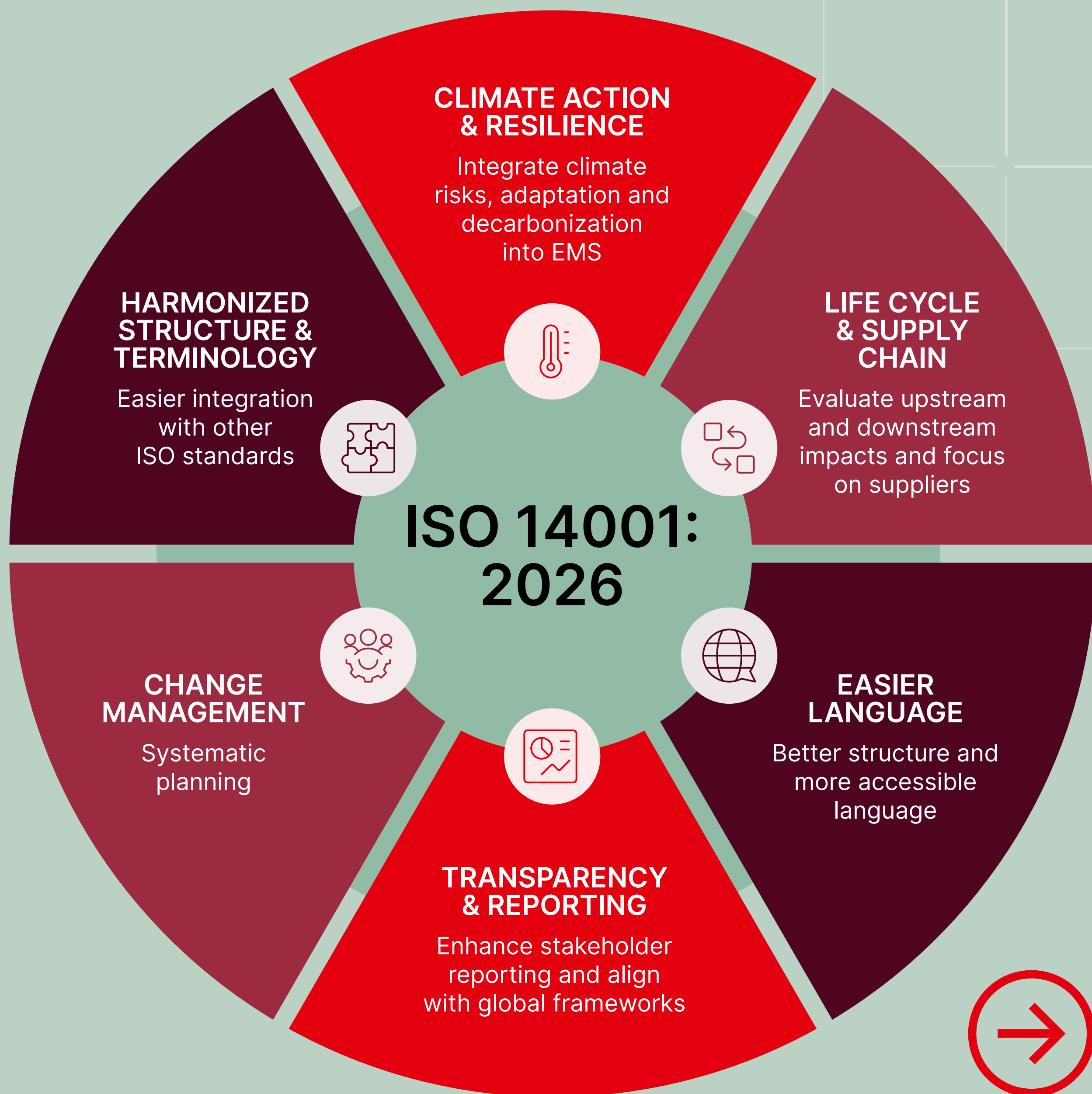
What *hasn't changed*

The core structure and intent of the standard remain the same.

Organizations already using ISO 14001:2015 will find the transition smooth and straightforward.



Key changes in ISO 14001:2026





ISO 14001:2026, *Environmental
management systems*

**A clearer path to environmental
management – *launching soon.***

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