

Audit Documentation

Accounting & Finance

What the working papers must show, and why.

What documentation must demonstrate.

Must show

Nature, timing and extent of procedures

The results and evidence obtained

Significant judgements and their basis

Who performed and who reviewed

Conclusions reached on each area

Why it matters

Supports the opinion if challenged

Enables review and quality control

Evidence of compliance with standards

Basis for planning next year

Defence in litigation or inspection

The standard is an experienced auditor with no prior connection being able to understand the work from the file alone.