

Audit Reporting Checklist

- ☐ Work off a findings sheet that has been discussed and agreed to by management.
- ☐ Every detail in the report correlates to what was in your findings sheet.
- ☐ Use bullet points wherever possible.
- ☐ Keep each bullet to one line.
- ☐ Remove all unnecessary adjectives and adverbs.
- ☐ Highlight/Circle/Bold/Italicize major takeaways.
- ☐ Use numbers or percentages to describe facts wherever possible.
- ☐ Use tables or graphs to summarize key information wherever possible.
- ☐ Report contains clear references, indices, and appendices.
- ☐ All verifiable claims are annotated.
- ☐ All annotated claims map to a reference.
- ☐ Remove soft/indirect recommendations (*such as "Management should consider..."*).
Replace with direct language recommending corrective actions.
- ☐ Remove blaming/inflammatory statements (*such as "Management failed to..."*).
State the issue and the recommended corrective action instead.
- ☐ Check spelling: use Microsoft Word or Google Docs spell check tools.
- ☐ Check readability: use the Flesch Reading Ease or Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level tests.