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# GAMP 5 (2nd ed.) Lifecycle Map.

This edition contains only functions that have been verified in the codebase.  
Auto-configuration and roadmap features have been removed.

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# What this edition covers.

This edition maps the GAMP 5 (2nd ed.) lifecycle phases as implemented by ComplianceSuite. The five phases (Concept → Plan & Specify → Configure/Build → Verify → Operate) are realized in the data model and change management. Phase gates, validation depth by category, and V-model structure are documented.

# What this edition does **NOT** cover.

The following features have been removed or significantly reduced:

- **RTM Auto-Generation:** Spec promises automation from citation graph, code does not implement it — only manual RTM structure remains.
- **Auto-Validation Report Population:** Platform can provide structural data (test counts, deviations), but not narrative elements automatically.
- **Validation Plan Auto-Depth:** Spec says risk class automatically sets test depth in VP, code unclear — only concept remains.
- **Periodic Review Auto-Digest:** Audit trail digest available, but not generated as scheduled job.
- **Cat-1/3/4/5 Depth Logics:** Only category definition FIT; specific Cat-1-OQ-light vs. Cat-4-full-depth is concept without enforceable code.

# The five GAMP 5 Lifecycle Phases.

Phase	Objective	Output	Platform Realization
Concept	Identify business need; high-level scope; preliminary risk classification	Concept note (informal); tenant policy alignment; system candidate	Pre-change concept note (tenant document library); system in draft state
Plan & Specify	Define what system must do; identify and assess risks; plan validation	URS, risk assessment, validation plan, FRS / design specs	All documents in plan phase of initial validation change; signed
Configure / Build	Configure system (Cat 4) or build custom code (Cat 5); configuration baseline evidence	Configuration baseline; for Cat 5: code review, unit test evidence	Configure/build interval within initial validation change
Verify	Execute IQ, OQ, PQ; raise and resolve deviations; build traceability matrix	IQ/OQ/PQ protocols and results; deviations; RTM; validation report	Execute phase of initial validation change
Operate	Operate system under change control; periodic review; decommissioning on scope end	Configuration / upgrade / periodic review / decommissioning changes	System in production state; subsequent changes (configuration, upgrade, periodic review)

# System Categorization.

ComplianceSuite tracks four categories per GAMP 5 (2nd ed.; Cat 2 deprecated):

Category	Definition	Validation Depth	Code Usage
Cat 1	Infrastructure (OS, hypervisors, networks)	Qualified, not validated; customer-side infrastructure qualification SOPs apply	System.gampCategory = 1; reduced template set
Cat 3	Non-configured COTS	Limited URS focused on intended use; OQ-based testing; minimal customization evidence	System.gampCategory = 3; cat-3-specific templates
Cat 4	Configured COTS — out of box with documented configuration	Full URS / risk / VP / IQ/OQ/PQ / VR; configuration baseline tracked; config changes are changes	System.gampCategory = 4; full template set; config-baseline capture
Cat 5	Custom / bespoke — developed for user	Full Cat 4 deliverables + source code review, structured test coverage, secure development evidence	System.gampCategory = 5; cat-5-extended template set; code review record required

# V-Model Deliverables.

GAMP 5 presents the relationship between specification and verification as a V. Each spec on the descending side has a corresponding verification on the ascending side:

Specification	Verification	Citation Pattern	Platform
URS — User Requirements Specification	PQ — Performance Qualification	PQ test cites URS requirement(s) it verifies	Document links / citation graph
FRS — Functional Requirements Specification	OQ — Operational Qualification	OQ test cites FRS requirement(s)	Document links
DS — Design Specification (config/code)	IQ — Installation Qualification	IQ test cites DS config items	Document links
Risk Assessment — Risk register and mitigations	Test cases marked as risk mitigations	Test case cites risk it mitigates; RTM merged by URS ID	Deviation record + citation

**The traceability matrix is the backbone of the V-model:** Each spec item is a row; each verification is a column population. Coverage gaps block VR acceptance.

# Phase Gates and Signatories.

Gate	Phase Boundary	GAMP 5 Intention	Platform Realization
Plan Approval	Plan → Configure/Build	Assert that requirements, risk, validation strategy sufficient	Tenant QA approver signs validation plan
Configure-Complete	Configure/Build → Verify	Assert that system configured/built against design spec and ready for qualification testing	Tenant QA approver + if needed senior engineer (Cat 5)
Verification-Complete	Verify → Operate	Assert that test execution complete, deviations resolved/carried, system fit for production GxP use	Tenant QA approver
Operational Release	Verify → Operate (parallel to verification-complete)	Authorize system in production	Head of quality (closes change)
Periodic Review	Operate → Operate (recurring)	Confirm that system remains in validated state	Tenant QA approver
Decommissioning	Operate → Retired	Authorize system retirement; execute data migration / archival plan	Head of quality

# Mapping to ComplianceSuite Platform.

GAMP 5 Phase	Platform Primitive	Concrete Artifacts
Concept	Pre-system scoping; tenant policy alignment; informal record	Concept note (tenant document library); system as draft
Plan & Specify	Plan phase of initial validation change	URS, risk assessment, validation plan, FRS, DS — all signed
Configure / Build	Configure or build interval (within initial validation change for Cat 4/5)	Configuration baseline captured; for Cat 5: code review record, static analysis evidence
Verify	Execute phase of initial validation change	IQ / OQ / PQ protocols and results; deviations; RTM
Operate	System in production state; subsequent changes (configuration, upgrade, periodic review, decommissioning)	Periodic review reports; configuration change records; decommissioning plan

**The initial validation change owns all three project phases (plan + configure + verify):** Platform phase gates (plan-execute and execute-report) carry the same intention as GAMP 5's project gates. The operate phase is the production state of the system with subsequent changes.

# Critical Thinking Checkpoints.

GAMP 5 (2nd ed.) asks questions, not just records documents. The platform makes these decisions explicit:

- **Category decision** on system registration: justified, signed by validation lead, re-evaluated on every change
- **Risk-class decision** on risk assessment approval: justified, signed by QA, re-evaluated during periodic review
- **Test depth decision** on validation plan approval: per URS item, justified against risk class
- **Deviation classification decision:** critical / major / minor / cosmetic, with rationale on classification
- **Acceptance decision** on validation report: accept / conditional accept / reject, with rationale
- **Periodic review outcome decision:** remains validated / configuration change / upgrade / decommission, with rationale

# GAMP 5 Responsibility Split.

GAMP 5 distinguishes the regulated user's responsibility from the supplier's:

Responsibility	Regulated User (Customer)	Supplier (ComplianceSuite or Customer's System Supplier)
Quality Management System	QMS for GxP operations; supplier qualification; quality agreement	QMS covering platform development, release, support
URS	Authors	Reviews for feasibility / fit
Risk Assessment	Owns risk class and acceptance	Provides product-level risk context (FAQ, known issues)
Configuration / Build	Configures (Cat 4) or specifies custom code (Cat 5)	Provides configurable platform; for Cat 5 custom code: development with secure development evidence
IQ / OQ / PQ	Executes; signs	Provides default test cases via templates; supports verification queries
Periodic Review	Conducts and signs	Provides audit trail digest; releases with documented validation impact
Inspection Support	Owns inspection	Provides inspection view, exports, supplier evidence on request

# Lifecycle Phase-by-Phase Decisions.

## Concept Phase

- **Decision:** Select system as candidate?
- **Input:** business requirement, preliminary scope
- **Output:** system draft, concept note
- **Evidence:** tenant policy alignment, system metadata (name, vendor, category)

## Plan & Specify Phase

- **Category justification:** Is Cat 4 or Cat 5 the right choice?
- **Risk-class:** High / medium / low for this system use case?
- **URS completeness:** All requirements captured? (functional, regulatory, performance, interface)
- **Risk coverage:** Are high-RPN risks mitigated?
- **Validation plan depth:** Does test depth match risk class?

## Configure / Build Phase

- **Configuration baseline:** All settings documented?
- **(Cat 5 only) Code review:** Source code reviewed and approved?
- **Unit test evidence:** (Cat 5) Test coverage sufficient?

## Verify Phase

- **Test execution:** All protocols complete?
- **Deviation resolution:** Critical/major deviations closed?
- **Traceability:** Coverage gaps in RTM?
- **Acceptance recommendation:** Accept, conditional accept, or reject?

## Operate Phase

- **Periodic review schedule:** Periodic review at risk-class-appropriate cadence?
- **Change control:** Configuration/upgrade changes in same controlled manner as initial validation?

# Code Reference.

- **Prisma Models:**  
/Users/christophseydel/Sites/ComplianceSuite/prisma/schema.prisma
- System (gampCategory: 1|3|4|5, riskClass: HIGH|MEDIUM|LOW)
- Change (type: INITIAL\_VALIDATION | CONFIGURATION | UPGRADE | PERIODIC\_REVIEW | DECOMMISSIONING)
- ValidationPhase (name, gateReviewRequired, gateReviewCompletedAt)
- Document (documentType: URS, FRS, RiskAssessment, ValidationPlan, IQ, OQ, PQ, RTM, VR)
- Deviation (severity: CRITICAL, MAJOR, MINOR, COSMETIC)
- **Server Actions (Phase Management):**  
/Users/christophseydel/Sites/ComplianceSuite/app/actions/
- Change opening, phase transitions, gate signatures
- **Components (Change Lifecycle UI):**  
/Users/christophseydel/Sites/ComplianceSuite/components/
- ChangeCard, ChangeLifecycle, PhaseGatePanel, ValidationReportBuilder

REVISION HISTORY

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GLOSSARY

# Shared language, no ambiguity.

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

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

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