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MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS CERTIFICATION



ISO 9001 - QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

A Quality Management System (QMS) is a system which is following specific procedures and policies to meet customers' requirements and increase their satisfaction, improve the internal coordination and eliminate non-conformities by providing quality in the most cost effective and efficient manner. ISO 9001 is an example of a QMS.

[What is ISO 9001?](#)

The ISO 9001 Standard is the world's most popular quality improvement standard, with over one million certified organizations. It is a generic standard which can be applied to all organizations regardless of their size, activity and sector. The ISO 9001 outlines the requirements an organization must maintain in its quality management system (QMS).

[Why is it important?](#)

Businesses today seek to offer products and services that not only meet but also surpass their customer expectations. At the same time, they are under pressure to cut costs to remain competitive. Organizations both large and small require a comprehensive approach to quality improvement that resolves these challenges of quality and cost efficiency.

ISO 9001 certification demonstrates your organization's ability to consistently meet and exceed your customer expectations. For this reason, many buyers require suppliers to be ISO 9001 certified to decrease their risk of purchasing a poor product or service. A business that achieves ISO 9001 certification will be able to attain significant improvements in organizational efficiency and product quality by minimizing waste and errors, and increasing productivity. Strengthen your processes with a certification of your management system and gain an international competitive advantage.

Benefits at a glance

Some of the main benefits of the certification are:

- Improves market access opportunities
- Improves customer confidence and satisfaction.
- Improves processes and structures
- Achieves significant cost savings
- Improves conformity to quality requirements
- Improves the internal operation of the company.
- Enhances the prestige of the business and improve its competitiveness.
- Builds the trust with customers.
- Provides high – quality products, services and systems.





ISO 14001

ISO 14001 - ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

In the past, environmental protection efforts would focus primarily on establishing systematic control of on-site pollutants, especially with new regulatory and legislative requirements. But today's environmental management professionals take a more strategic view. The key is to raise awareness for environmental issues among your staff and to minimize negative impacts on the ecosystem.

By taking steps to continually improve your environmental management system, you will set your business on a course to sustainability. ISO 14001 is an internationally accredited standard to support your activities by applying proven management systems.

[What is ISO 14001?](#)

ISO 14001 is recognized as an environmental management system standard suitable for large and small organizations which want to improve their environmental performance. Based on the Plan-Do-Check- Act cycle, it provides a systematic framework for integrating environmental management practices by supporting environmental protection, preventing pollution, minimizing waste, and reducing energy and materials consumption.

The ISO 14001 standard provides organizations with the framework for an effective environmental management system (EMS) focused on achieving their environmental and economic goals and objectives. The overall goal is to protect the environment; prevent pollution and to continually improve overall environmental performance and regulatory compliance. ISO 14001 defines best practice requirements for proactive management of the environmental impact of your organization.

Why is important?

The ISO 14001 certifications for environmental management systems offer you a forward-looking path toward corporate responsibility and good corporate stewardship. By now, many companies take for granted the ongoing improvement and documentation of their growing environmental protection efforts.

ISO 14001 reveals weaknesses in the environmental management system and builds the base for a continual, affirmable process of improvement. It moderates environmental risks, conserves resources, and makes an extended contribution to your environmental performance. Modern technology alone cannot adequately ensure an active and sufficient environmental protection policy; it also requires an effective environmental management system. In an increasingly competitive area, certifications add value and prestige in business.

In addition, certification may remarkably reduce the risk of environmental and regulatory/legislative liability fines. Companies that apply and implement the system reduce costs and improve company-wide morale, while increasing the marketability of their brand.

Benefits at a glance

- Improve marketability and sales - by applying the ISO 14001 certification to your corporate documents. This can also significantly improve bargaining position when taking part in public and private green procurement tenders.
- Reduce cost - by minimizing wastage throughout the supply chain, from materials to energy consumption. ISO 14001 certification can also contribute to significantly reducing regulatory/legislative and environmental liability.
- Enhance reputation - with an internationally recognized certificate that promotes brand image and company morale.





ISO 22000 - FOOD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Food safety is linked to the presence of food-borne hazards in food at the point of consumption. Since food safety hazards can occur at any stage in the food chain it is essential that adequate control be in place. Therefore, a combined effort of all parties through the food chain is required. ISO 22000 is a standard developed by the International Organization for Standardization dealing with food safety.

[What is ISO 22000?](#)

The ISO 22000 standard is an internationally recognized standard for management systems in the food industry. It is the quality standard for companies along the entire production chain - from the primary producer through the transport company to the retailer. The ISO 22000 Food Safety Management System is a process control system designed to identify and prevent microbial and other hazards in food production and entire food chain.

[Why is it important?](#)

It is important for Organizations in the food chain to manage food safety. Contamination could occur at any stage of the supply chain and consequences could be serious. Consumers demand food safety. Failure to manage risks associated with food products could cause consumer's illness. This could affect business reputation and customer's satisfaction. Not only it is good practice to make sure that food is produced, processed, stored and served safely but it can be part of legislative and regulatory requirements in each state.

A Food Safety Management System can help the business on the way to safe food, while an ISO 22000 certification can help organization to convince its customers and partners of food safety in the company.

An ISO 22000 certification:

- Fulfills and document the highest standards of international food safety.
- Gain international recognition and acceptance.
- Open up new markets and increase sales through international recognition.
- Make a significant contribution to risk management, commitment, communication with suppliers and customers, and continuous improvement of the food safety system in the company.
- Flexibility, allowing it to be applied to all organizations in the food supply chain, thus encouraging cooperation in addressing food safety hazards
- Possible integration of the food safety and quality management schemes within an organization (e.g. ISO 9001).





OHSAS 18001 -OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Organizations recognize its moral and legal obligations to provide a healthy and safe work environment for their employees, visitors and clients. Safety is everybody's responsibility and everybody is expected to play part in maintaining the health and safety standards at any workplace. An occupational health and safety system will allow them to demonstrably reduce the number of accidents through the systematization of health and safety elements.

[What is OHSAS 18001?](#)

The Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series, OHSAS 18000, has been developed to help organizations control and minimize occupational health and safety risks. OHSAS 18001 is a specific standard for occupational health and safety management system designed to eliminate or reduce the risk to employees and other interested parties who may be exposed to occupational health and safety risks associated with the business' activities.

OHSAS 18001 represents a progression of a management system philosophy, from quality to environmental, continuing to occupational health and safety. OHSAS 18001 focuses on the identification and control of health and safety risks, reduction or elimination of potential accidents, and continual improvement of hazards and risks within the work environment. The OHSAS management system methodology is based on planning for hazard identification, risk assessment, and risk control. Many organizations are applying and implementing an Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS) as part of their risk management strategy to address changing legislation and protect their workforce.

Why is it important?

The OHSAS 18001:2007 occupational health and safety management system covers the full range of management requirements specifications. Organization can identify and analyze potential hazards, and evaluate the related risks, which can be used as the basis for designing and planning goals and programs to improve employees' safety. By defining responsibilities and training employees, is taking precautions and learn how to handle any potential emergency.

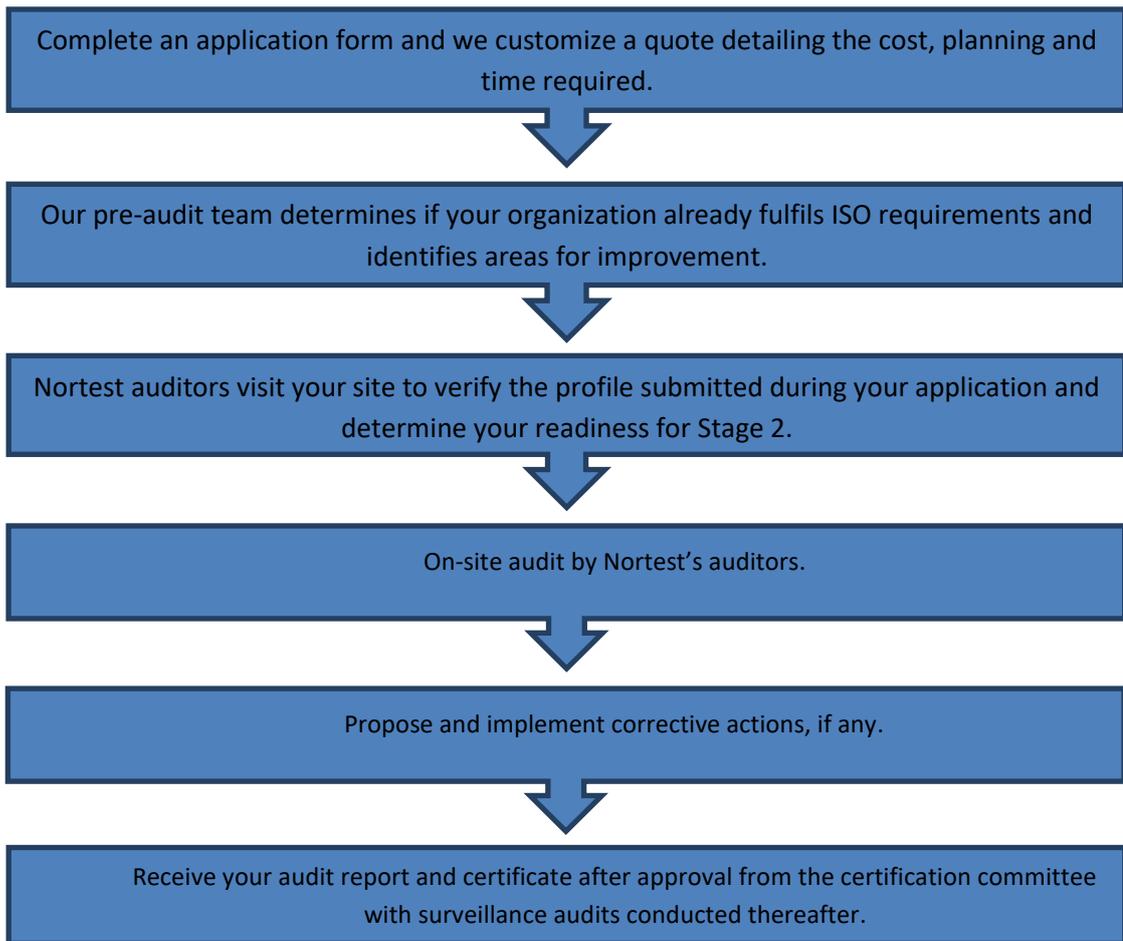
Benefits at a Glance

With OHSAS 18001 an organization can:

- Reduce the number of accidents at workplace through the systematization of occupational safety and health elements.
- Improve safety awareness and boost the motivation of employees.
- Ensure compliance with the statutory and regulatory requirements for occupational safety and health protection.
- Reduce downtime and interruption to production.
- Reduce insurance costs.
- Enhance the good name with customers, suppliers, authorities and investors as a safe and reputable company.



Certification Steps



The role of Nortest

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