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OHSAS 18001

OHSAS 18001 (soon-to-be ISO 45001)

This OHSAS 18001 Standard includes criteria for assessing an Occupational Health & Safety management system and refers to every organization, regardless of size.

Ready for ISO 45001

As soon as the ISO 45001 is being published, we will offer certification according to this Standard. Its current version is already part of our safety management trainings.

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management system with those of ISO 9001 and ISO 14001. This means OHSAS 18001 is to be used as a standard congruent with ISO 9001.

Objectives

- establishing an OH&S management system in order to minimize risks towards employees and other interested parties, who might be exposed to OH&S risks in connection with the organization
- continual improvement of an OH&S management system
- demonstrable conformity with the organization's own safety policy
- communicating this conformity to the outside
- having the OH&S management system certified/registered by an external organization
- determining the organization's own OH&S level and declaring conformity with the present OHSAS Specification

Target group

- trade and industry
- service providers
- social institutions
- public and municipal sectors
- rail companies

Criteria

The management system OHSAS 18001 includes requirements for OH&S management systems, which help the organizations to manage their OH&S risks and improve their performance.

The OHSAS Specification can be applied by any organization. All the requirements stated in the present OHSAS Specification are intended to be taken over to an OH&S management system. The extent to which they are used depends on such factors as the safety policy of the respective organization, the organization's activities, the risks and the complexity of the operations and processes.

Motivation and benefits

The version 2007 of OHSAS 18001 puts much more emphasis on health protection as the previous one in regard to prevention and sustainable health protection.

The adoption of this standard systemizes safety related activities and helps to improve the processes. Moreover it systematically enhances legal compliance and general conditions due to the use of transparent systems for persons responsible and executives. Awareness of OH&S risks is promoted. Legal requirements relating to OH&S are verifiably fulfilled. There is an open information policy in terms of the development of OH&S. Occupational safety and health protection are improved continually. Processes are studied and reviewed systematically. Measures are defined, monitored and assessed.

An organization certified acc. to OHSAS 18001 enjoys higher confidence among customers, suppliers, employees, authorities and investors. Elements of OHSAS 18001 can be combined to a comprehensive



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In order to be certified acc. to OHSAS 18001, an organization must fulfil the following criteria:

- elaborating a safety policy
- performing a risk analysis, planning, setting objectives and establishing a programme for reducing the number and scope of accidents at work
- integrating the requirements in the business processes
- internal auditing and periodic management review of the system

Accreditation

Acc. to the Federal Law Gazette, 153rd Regulation, which was published on 22 May 2009, Quality Austria is accredited for certifying organizations acc. to OHSAS 18001.

Other relevant standards

ISO 9001, ISO 14001, SCP, SA 8000®, SQAS, SCC, EN 13816, SMS § 39 EisbG EU RL 2004/49/EG

Quality Austria introduces itself

Quality Austria - Trainings, Zertifizierungs und Begutachtungs GmbH is your competence partner for the Integrated Management System in the fields of Quality, Environment and Safety as well as Industry Standards and Business Excellence. The services provided by Quality Austria range from trainings in the field of international management trends and techniques via certification of management systems according to international standards and regulations and national guidelines and directives and assessments acc. to the EFQM Excellence Model to awarding the Austria Quality Seal. The Austrian Excellence Award will be presented to Austrian organisations in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy. Quality Austria is accredited by the Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy and has numerous international registrations and accreditations.

Having more than 1.000 auditors, trainers, assessors and technical experts, Quality Austria secures successful implementation of standards and regulations within the organisations and provides sector and product specific know-how with a very high focus on practical work. Based on the competence network in the field of comprehensive sector specific, technical and methodological knowledge as well as comprehensive experience, trends will be influenced while innovations will be interpreted and tomorrow's requirements will be co-designed actively and consistently in corresponding bodies even on an international scale.

The close connection of Quality Austria as a national representative with the international partner organisations IQNet, EOQ and EFQM as well as cooperation of Quality Austria with IPC, VDA-QMC and IATF enable global know-how to be imparted and turn the organisation into a competent partner. Quality Austria cooperates with some 50 partner and member organisations. Quality Austria is a stable factor when it comes to creating valuable synergies at the economic site of Austria.

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