



## OHSAS 18001

### OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The OHSAS 18001 standard is the most widely recognized Occupational Health & Safety Management System standard globally. This structured management systems approach enables organizations to identify hazards, assess and prioritize risks, and implement appropriate protective and preventive control measures to reduce the potential for occupational injuries, illnesses and fatalities.

#### Benefits of OHSAS 18001

Better awareness and control of workplace hazards and risks can reduce the number and severity of lost time incidents and injuries, improve employee health and safety and deliver other benefits, including:

- Improved compliance with legal and other requirements,
- Potential for fewer, less stringent regulatory inspections,
- Evidence of due diligence and corporate social responsibility,
- A framework for organizational risk management,
- Reduced workers' compensation costs, insurance premiums and other healthcare costs,
- Reduced absenteeism, resulting in increased productivity,
- Improved employee satisfaction and retention, and
- Increased ability to attract the best new talent.

The concepts of 'due diligence' and 'corporate social responsibility' are increasingly discussed in corporate boardrooms today, and companies are recognizing that the effective implementation of a structured OHSMS can demonstrate good corporate citizenship while concurrently mitigating corporate and personal liability.

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Concerns about Health & Safety have been growing rapidly in recent years. High profile incidents such as rail crashes may grab the headlines but, at a local level. Increasing enforcement by the Health & Safety Executive raises the likelihood and Managers being held personally liable for breaches in Health & Safety legislation. With the implementation and achieving OHSAS 18001 certification you should achieve the following:

- Certification is becoming a prerequisite for major companies and local authorities
- It is great marketing tool
- It will assist your company in meeting regulatory requirements
- It may improve your companies profile in bidding for contracts
- It may reduce your insurance premium
- It will reduce the risk of accidents and occupational ill health

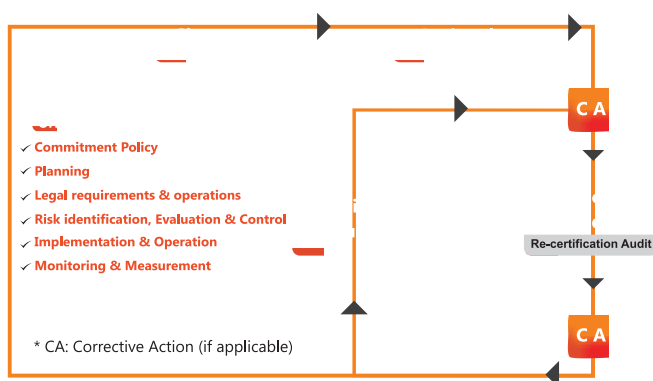
Your company's firm commitment to protect the health and safety of your employees is a distinguishing factor in a competitive market. A certified Occupational Health and Safety Management System demonstrate your determination to safeguard your employees and the environment from harmful incidents.

An OHSAS 18001 Standard Implementation proves that your management system has been measured against a best practice standard and found compliant.

### Key steps in our approach are:

- Contract signature
- Pre-audit (optional): gap analysis and diagnosis of your systems current position against requirements of the standard;
- Initial Audit: to verify the establishment and implementation of the basic structure of your OHSAS (hazards, applicable legislation and regulation)
- Certification audit (certificate issued after successful certification audit);
- Surveillance audits to follow the continual improvement;
- Re-certification after 3 years through full audit or continual assessment.

Following each step, a factual and comprehensive report is promptly delivered allowing your company to continually improve its Health & Safety performance.



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#### Recognition:

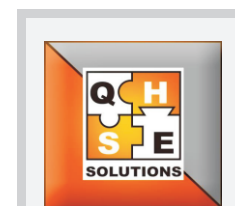
QHSE Certification is accredited by IABCI-(E) for OHSAS 18001 certification.

#### Business understanding:

Our auditors understand that the application of the standard can be quite different in small, medium and large organizations, and are trained to assess your system in a way that will be appropriate to your business. Our customers chose us because they know we're a partner they can depend on, and they continue to stay with us each year because they value the insight that their auditor gives to their business. Registration is more than a certificate; it's an opportunity to make your business better, and QHSE Certification partners with customers to ensure they receive the most from their audits.

#### Combined services:

QHSE Certification offers the possibility of combined certifications to the largest range of recognized standards, bringing consistency, optimization and efficiency.



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