

The ISO 9001 standard can be applied to any type or size of organization, from small family businesses to the world's largest corporations and government institutions. It provides a structured yet flexible framework for a customerfocused quality management system (QMS) that drives performance improvement.

The implementation of ISO 9001 can provide organizations with measurable improvements in their overall business performance, effectiveness, and efficiency.

N Benefits of ISO 9001

Many companies that have implemented a quality management system have realized cost savings through improved process effectiveness and efficiency. There are also many other advantages including improved employee & customer satisfaction, resulting from better defined and implemented business processes.

- Some of the direct benefits achieved by ISO 9001 certified companies include:
- Motivated staff, who understand their roles and how their work affects quality,
- Improved product and service quality and happier customers, and
- Improved management and operational processes, resulting in less waste (both time and materials), increased productivity, efficiency and cost savings.

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The standard covers all aspects of an organization's activities,

Including:

- · Udentifying its key processes,
- · Defining roles and responsibilities,
- Its policies & objectives, and
- Documentation requirements.

It also covers the importance of

- Understanding & meeting customer requirements,
- Communication,
- Resource requirements,
- Training,
- Product & process planning,
- Design processes,
- Purchasing,
- Production & service,
- Monitoring and measurement of products & processes,
- Customer satisfaction,
- · Internal audit,
- · Management review, and
- Improvement processes.

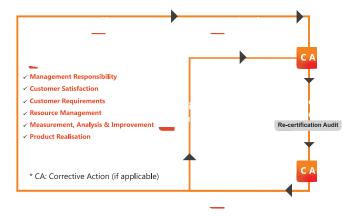
ISO 9001 is based on the following eight Quality Management Principles, which are incorporated within the requirements of the standard, and can be applied to improve organizational performance:

- Customer focus,
- · Leadership,
- Involvement of people,
- Process approach,
- System approach to management,
- · Continual improvement,
- Factual approach to decision making, and
- Mutually beneficial supplier relationships.

N 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 th basic structure of your QMS
- 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 QMS performance.



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Recognition:

QHSE Certification is accredited by IABCI-(E) for ISO 9001 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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