PROVING YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE ENVIRONMENT

BUSINESS CHALLENGE

Environment preservation is one of the major crises we are facing in the world. As customers are becoming more environment conscious, businesses have to follow the trend. The appropriate management of environmental issues contributes positively to economic gain and increases the competitiveness of the company. Also, caring for the environment improves the image of the company when it fulfills its’ environmental duties. Proof of a responsible approach is fast becoming a key purchasing criterion. Environmentally conscious clients prefer to do business with like-minded companies, i.e., those who demonstrate their commitment through internationally recognized standards such as the ISO 14000 series.

SOLUTION

WHAT IS ISO 14001:2015?

ISO 14001:2015 is a part of a series of international standards applicable to any organization, anywhere relating to environmental management. Based on the Plan-Do-Check-Act cycle, ISO 14001:2015 provides a framework and specifies the most important requirements to identify, control, and monitor the environmental aspects of any organization, and also how to manage and improve the whole system. Sustainable development is the core principle of ISO 14001:2015.

WHAT ARE THE KEY BENEFITS?

- Customer, investor, public, community assurance by demonstrating commitment
- Improving cost control through conserving input materials and energy
- Reducing incidents that result in liability, therefore reducing insurance costs
- Assisting the attainment of permits and authorizations for local trade
- Creation of knowledge database for effective exchange of company knowledge
- Stakeholder and Risk management
- High Level Structure (HLS) to easily integrate with more than one standard

WHY CHOOSE BUREAU VERITAS CERTIFICATION?

NETWORK – With 150,000 active ISO certificates and 5,700 skilled auditors, Bureau Veritas Certification is present in 140 countries with locally deployed certification network in 80 countries.

EXPERTISE – Bureau Veritas Certification relies on a pool of more than 400 environmental auditors possessing an extensive experience in environmental and technical issues, as well as in depth knowledge of local regulations, markets and language that enables them to provide solutions adapted to your needs.

LEADERSHIP – Bureau Veritas Certification is the worldwide market leader with over 9,000 companies in 80 countries already certified to ISO 14001:2004.

MARK OF GLOBAL RECOGNITION – The Bureau Veritas Certification mark is a globally recognized symbol of your organization’s ongoing commitment to excellence, sustainability and reliability.

RELATED SERVICES

INTEGRATED CERTIFICATION. Bureau Veritas Certification offers the possibility of integrated and/or combined certification with other schemes such as ISO 9001, OHSAS 18001 and/or sector specific schemes (AS/EN 9001...). This delivers greater audit efficiency, consistency and optimization.

OTHER SERVICES. Beyond ISO 14001:2004, Bureau Veritas Certification offers services related to corporate responsibility and sustainable development that include:

- Assurance of Sustainability Reports (GRI, AA 1000...)
- Social Accountability (SA 8000, ISO 26000, Codes of Conduct)
- Climate Change validation and verification services
- (CDM, JI, EU ETS, VCS, Gold Standard, CCX, CCAR, ISO 14064, PAS 2050, Carbon Progress...)

WHAT ARE THE KEY BENEFITS?
OUR CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Key steps in our certification process are:
- **Definition** of certification scope.
- **Pre-audit (optional)**: gap analysis and diagnosis of your current position against standard.
- **Certification audit** performed in 2 stages:
  - **Stage 1.** Readiness review performed to verify that the organization is ready for certification
  - **Stage 2.** Evaluation of implementation, including the effectiveness, of the management system of the organization
- **A certificate** valid for 3 years is issued upon satisfactory results of stage 2 audit.
- **Surveillance audits** to verify that the management system continues to fulfill the requirements of the standard and monitor the continual improvement.
- **Re-certification** after 3 years to confirm the continued conformance and effectiveness of the management system as a whole.

FAQ

**WHICH AREAS ARE COVERED BY THE ISO 14000 SERIES?**

The key areas covered by this series are:
- Environmental Management Systems (EMS)
- Environmental Auditing
- Environmental Labels and Declarations
- Environmental Performance Evaluation
- Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)
- Environmental Communication
- Greenhouse Gases (GHG) Monitoring


- New model providing a framework instead of sequence of activities
- High Level Structure
- Flexible documentation requirement
- Assessment of value chain (design, manufacturing, life cycle etc)
- Emphasis on evaluation and its evidence
- Top management accountability

**RELATED SERVICES**

Beyond ISO 9001 Certification, Bureau Veritas Certification offers certification to a large range of management system standards that include:

- ISO 14001, ISO 45001, SA8000
- IATF 16949
- AS 9100 & EN 9100
- TL 9000
- ISO 28000 & TAPA
- ISO 22000
- ISO 27001

As most of these standards are built to be compatible with ISO 9001, Bureau Veritas Certification offers the possibility of integrated certification services, generating audit efficiency, consistency and optimization.