

UNI EN ISO 14001:2004 CERTIFICATION

WHO IS CONCERNED?

UNI EN ISO 14001 is a standard of a general nature:

- Applicable to all types and sizes of organisations of both the public and private sector, that wish to demonstrate their environmental focus;
- Recommended for all market sectors;
- Easily integrated with other important management systems such as health and safety or quality

FRAMEWORK

The complexity of the regulatory framework and the rising public awareness of environmental issues make it essential to pay greater attention to the soundness of the management of the environmental aspects of business activities. Among the available tools to assist businesses in their continual improvement processes with

respect to environmental matters, UNI EN ISO 14001: 2004 is now the outstanding internationally-recognised model. Adopting this standard can render a company's efforts to reduce environmental risks, prevent pollution and comply with legislation, systematic and more effective.

OUR SERVICES

Certiquality, a leader in the field of voluntary certification of management systems, was the first certification body to be accredited for the certification of environmental management systems against the UNI EN ISO 14001: 2004 standard.

The environmental management system defined by ISO 14001 is based on environmental performance, regulatory compliance and continuous improvement. Among the main new elements of the 2015: the responsibility of senior management, the integration of the environmental management system in the business system, the identification and management of risks and opportunities, the prospect of the life cycle of the product/service.

The environmental management system set out in ISO 14001 is based on legal compliance, continual improvement and prevention of pollution. The ISO 14001 standard leaves an organisation free to set which and how many environmental objectives it wishes to pursue, depending on its economic circumstances and current internal technological sophistication.

YOUR BENEFITS

- ✓ Ensure compliance with legal and regulatory environmental requirements and reduce their related risks;
- ✓ Adopt a structured approach in defining environmental objectives and identifying the necessary tools to their achievement, thereby initiating a continual improvement process of your organisation's environmental performance;
- ✓ Identify environmental risks and cost-reduction opportunities related to energy consumption and to raw material and waste management;
- ✓ Increase the value of your business on the market.

THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS

The certification process against the ISO 14001 standard involves the following steps:

- ✓ Application for certification;
- ✓ Acceptance of Certiquality's offer;
- ✓ Performance of a preliminary audit (optional);
- ✓ Performance of a certification audit (in two stages);
- ✓ Management of any identified deficiencies;
- ✓ Deliberation by the Certiquality Technical Commission;
- ✓ Annual surveillance audits.

For EMAS registration, in particular, the process includes verification and validation by Certiquality of the Environmental Statement prepared by the Organization. The Environmental Statement validated will be broadcast, by the organisation, to the European Ecolabel - Ecoaudit Section EMAS Italy for the commencement of the investigation aimed at recording.

Organizations already certified to ISO 14001:2004, that want to transition to ISO 14001:2015 Certiquality offers a range of useful services at various stages of transition to the new edition , including Gap Assessment and Transition Assessment.

FURTHER READING AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Certiquality has developed for its customers support documents for the implementation of environmental management systems in the form of specific check-lists and guidelines, such as, for example:

- ✓ Guidelines for the assessment of environmental legislative compliance management according to standard UNI EN ISO 14001:2004;
- ✓ Guidelines for the assessment of conformity with standard UNI EN ISO14001: 2004 for companies doing business in sectors EA 4 - textiles and textile products, EA 7 - pulp, paper and paper products, EA 9 - printing companies, EA 16 – concrete, cement, lime, plaster and related products, EA 17 - basic metals and fabricated metal products, EA 36 – Public Administration.



In partnership with AICQ-SICEV, Certiquality organizes a 40-hours training course entitled "Environmental Management System Auditors". Passing the course is one of the access requirements to the AICQ / SICEV qualification certification procedures for auditors and lead auditors ("UNI EN ISO 14001: 2004 Scheme").

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