

ISO 45001 - Occupational Health and Safety



What is ISO 45001?

ISO 45001 is the internationally recognised Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems standard, developed from BS OHSAS 18001:2007 to ensure Health and Safety Management Systems are harmonised worldwide. The standard has been developed to provide a framework to improve employee safety, reduce workplace risks and protect company reputation all over the world. This enables organisations to manage their health and safety risks through an integrated understanding and improved organisational culture, addressing risks that may appear in the workplace.

ISO 45001 provides organisations with an integrated approach to organisational management, ensuring international best practices are being adhered to. If you are certified to OHSAS 18001 you will need to migrate to ISO 45001 to maintain the validity of your certificate.

Why do I need ISO 45001?

ISO 45001 is applicable to any size or type of organisation - there is always the possibility of an accident whether that be within a micro organisation or a global conglomerate.

The ISO 45001 will enable organisations to manage and improve their own health and safety risks and performance. The Occupational Health and Safety Management System will incorporate core organisation processes and provide the opportunity for senior management to be more involved. It also stresses the need for worker participation in the functioning of an Occupational Health and Safety Management System.

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Benefits of ISO 45001

The ISO 45001 standard will ensure your organisation has a management system in place to reduce health and safety risks within the workplace - protecting workers from potential harm and increasing profitability at the same time. Other benefits of ISO 45001:

- Reduced overall costs of incidents.
- Reduced risk in downtime and the costs of disruption to operations.
- Reduced cost of insurance premiums.
- Reduced absences and employee turnover rate.
- Improved ability to respond to legal and compliance requirements.
- Recognition for achieving an international benchmark.

Related services

Beyond ISO 45001, IMSM can also introduce your organisation to a range of management system standards to help develop and grow a profitable organisation, including:

- ISO 9001 Quality Management
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management
- ISO 22301 Business Continuity

These standards are all designed to be compatible and can be integrated. To deliver audit efficiency, consistency and optimisation.

To explore the ways ISO standards can help to improve your organisation, contact IMSM today for an informal discussion with your local IMSM Area Manager.

