ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management Systems

What is ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System?

Customer purchase habits are shifting to favour more environmentally friendly products and practices. ISO 14001 is an Environmental Management System (EMS) that will demonstrate to customers that your Organisation operates responsibly. It is a Management System that will assist you to embed the principle of sustainable development into your company culture by minimising adverse impacts on the environment, establishing a lifecycle perspective and increasing the efficient use of resources.

Let us assist you to implement ISO 14001 to demonstrate your Organisation's commitment to the environment which will position you as an industry leader.

"Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

- Brundtland Report 1987

How does an EMS apply to my Organisation?

Implementing ISO 14001 will increase the sustainability and transparency of your Organisation as well as fostering consumer trust. Maximising sustainable practices through out your Organisation will ensure that regulatory requirements are fulfilled. Moreover, it will help your Organisation to more easily adapt to increasingly stringent future requirements.

Substantial cost reductions are likely to occur as water and energy usage, waste production, and transportation, are reduced. The EMS will also help you to future fit your Organisation by decreasing the reliance on non-renewable resources, thus improving resilience.

What are the Benefits of implementing an EMS?

The implementation of an Environmental Management System (EMS) will enable you to identify adverse environmental effects through out your supply chain and find ways to either minimise or eliminate these. The implementation of an EMS will have the following flow-on effects:

- ❖ **Future fit your company**
- ❖ **Demonstrate compliance with legislative and regulatory requirement**
- ❖ **Tangible cost reduction with reduce, reuse, recycle approach**
- ❖ **Verify that your Organisation is environmentally aware**
- ❖ **Fulfil corporate responsibilities and environmental commitments**
- ❖ **Increase leadership involvement and employee engagement**
- ❖ **Prevent incidents by reduction of environmental risks**

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Do I need to Certify my Environmental Management System?

ISO certification is optional, unless your Organisation is required by law or contractually obligated to be certified. However, most Organisations decide to receive ISO 14001:2015 accreditation to promote their credibility by demonstrating environmentally sound working practices. The certification process consists of a third-party auditor reviewing the successful implementation of your EMS. The auditor will provide certification if the Organisation can demonstrate compliance with ISO requirements.

Note Kaizen Consulting does not provide ISO 14001 certification.

How can a Consultant help?

Implementing an Environmental Management System (EMS) yourself often turns out to be inefficient and time-consuming. Using a Consultant ensures that your Organisation is getting the most of your EMS and Standards are implemented on budget, on time.

Kaizen Consulting has a proven track record of working with diverse industries and businesses.

Contact us today to hear how our team of specialised experts can help your Organisation with the implementation of ISO 14001.

5) Certification

4) Auditing and Process analysis

3) Implementation

2) Plan of Approach

1) Gap Analysis

At Kaizen we offer:

- Expertise
- Fixed fees
- Realistic timelines
- Working around your schedule
- Support and Guidance through out the process
- Adaptation of Standards to suit your company
- Development of efficient and practical processes

What is the Implementation process of ISO 14001?

The first step is the development of an Environmental Management System (EMS) that suits your Organisation by identifying gaps and integrating existing processes and plans with ISO requirements. Once the approach is defined, each process of the EMS needs then to be communicated to staff at all levels of your Organisation. Internal audits will ensure that control and management mechanism are in place, allowing for the ongoing success and continuous improvement of your EMS. The final step is to certify your EMS to demonstrate that your Organisation Is committed to sustainable development.