



ISO 14001:2015 Revision General Information Sheet July 2015

About ISO 14001 Revision

ISO 14001, the world's first environmental management system (EMS) is being revised to ensure it maintains its relevance in today's market place and will:

Bring environmental management into the heart of your business

• Environmental management will be integrated and aligned with business strategies which will improve performance and drive real value

Improve risk & opportunity management

 Will help identify and manage risk more effectively and opportunities that contribute to bottom line improvements

Provide an integrated approach

 It will be easier to implement more than one management system providing a more holistic view leading to cost savings

New focus on leadership

 Greater involvement by the leadership team will ensure that all be motivated towards the organizations goals and objectives

The new ISO 14001

ISO 14001:2015 is based on Annex SL – the new high level structure (HLS) that brings a common framework to all new ISO management systems. There are 10 clauses in the new standard:

Clause 1 - Scope

• This is the aim of the standard, it specifies the requirements for a EMS that can be used by organizations to enhance their environmental performance.

Clause 2 – Normative references

• There are no normative references in the standard.

Clause 3 – Terms and definitions

All terms and definitions within the standard are detailed in this clause.

Clause 4 – Context of the organization

• Identify internal and external issues , environmental conditions, interested parties and their needs and develop an EMS.

Clause 5 – Leadership

• Top management is now accountable for the effectiveness of the EMS.

Clause 6 – Planning

• Development and use of planning process to address both a range of issues and environmental conditions and the risks and opportunities within the scope of the EMS.

Clause 7 – Support

Resources and competency required for an effective EMS. Awareness and communication of EMS.

Clause 8 – Operations

Execution of plans and processes.

Clause 9 - Performance evaluation

• Organizations shall evaluate its environmental performance and the effectiveness of the EMS.

Clause 10 - Improvement

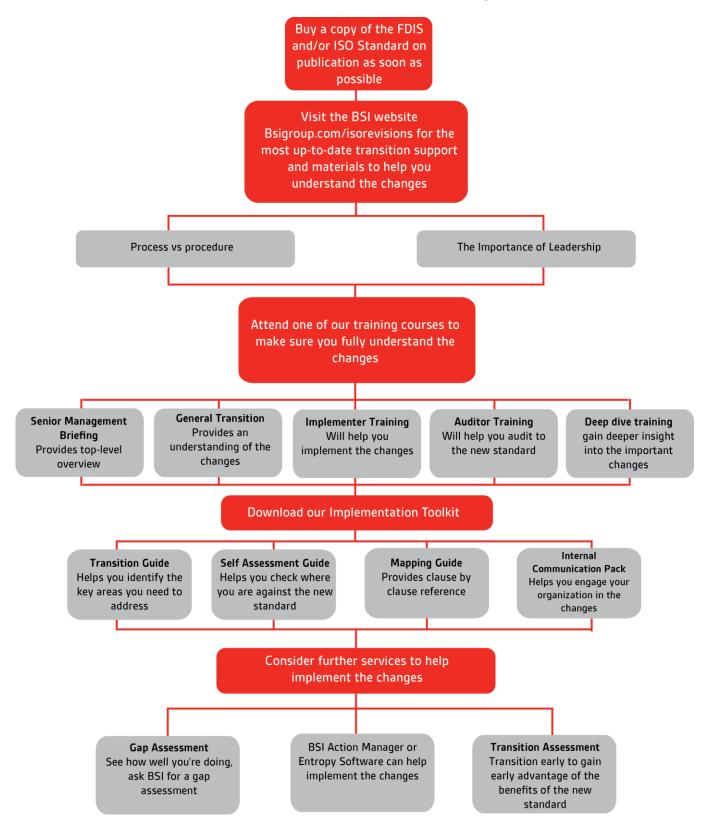
• Determining and selecting opportunities for improvement and implementing necessary actions to achieve the intended outcomes of the EMS.

The final standard is due to be published in September 2015, but start early with your transition as soon as possible to drive improvements in your EMS and deliver tangible results.





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