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ISO 22000:2018

Food Safety Management Systems

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What is ISO 22000:2018?

ISO 22000 is defined as the internationally recognized standard that specifies requirements for a Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) to plan, implement, operate, maintain, and update a FSMS providing products and services that are safe.

The current version of ISO 22000:2018 was released in November 2018.

The requirements specified in this document are generic and intended to be applicable to all organizations that is directly or indirectly involved in the food chain.

Benefits of ISO 22000:2018 Certification

ISO 22000 helps organizations to prove their dedication towards food safety for their customers and stakeholders, which in turn brings many benefits where some benefits are mentioned below:



Improved Food Safety



Increased Customer Satisfaction



Increased Reputation As Best Supplier



Efficient Management Approach



Increased Focus on Risks



Greater Compliance



Gain Competitive Advantage



Improved stakeholder relationship



International Recognition

Journey to Certification

ISO 22000 Certification is a 3rd party audit performed by MQA, during the audit we will verify that your organization is following the requirements of ISO 22000, if received positive results then we will issue an ISO 22000 certificate. This certification is then maintained through annual surveillance audits by MQA, with re-certification of the ISO 22000 Certification after three years. See below cycle to know how you can get started on the road to certification

MQA Certification Cycle

Year 1

Step 1.1 (Initial Application)

- Client request a quotation.
- MQA will assess Client's requirements.
- MQA will share proposal with client.
- Client signed the 3-year Certification Contract with MQA.

Step 1.2 (Certification Audit)

- MQA will conduct:
 - Gap Assessment (Readiness Review)
 - Stage-1 Audit (Documentation Review)
 - Stage-2 Audit (Implementation Review)
- MQA Auditor will share the audit reports to MQA's Certification Decision Committee.

Step 1.3 (Certificate Management)

- If certification decision is positive, then certificate is issued by MQA.
- If certification decision is negative, then verification audit is planned by MQA.
- Client will receive the MQA Portal access to:
 - View the Audit Reports.
 - Download the ISO Certificate.
 - Review & Respond to Audit Findings, etc.

Year 2 & 3

Step 2.1 (Renewal Request)

- MQA request for renewal.
- Client agreed for Surveillance Audit.

Step 2.2 (Surveillance Audit)

- MQA will conduct a Surveillance Audit
- MQA Auditor will share the audit reports to MQA's Certificate Decision Committee.

Step 2.3 (Certificate Management)

- If no critical non-conformity is found, then the certificate is renewed by MQA.
- If any critical nonconformity is found, MQA will plan a verification audit.
- Client have the MQA Portal access to:
 - View the Audit Reports.
 - Download the ISO Certificate.
 - Review & Respond to Audit Findings, etc.



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