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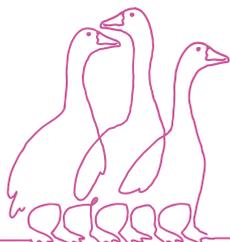
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The world's first International Standard for Occupational Health and Safety

The world's first International Standard for Occupational Health and Safety has finally been published, but what does ISO 45001 mean for you and your business?

ISO 45001 is a standard based on the common elements found in all ISO management system standards and has been designed to integrate with other ISO standards such as ISO 9001 (Quality) and ISO 14001 (Environmental).

The standard uses a simple 'Plan-Do-Check-Act' approach, which provides a framework for how businesses plan what they need to put into place to minimise workplace risks. The measures should address concerns that can lead to long-term health issues and absence from work, as well as accidents and incidents.



The benefits from implementing ISO 45001 include:

- An expected reduction in workplace injuries and illnesses
- The provision of governmental agencies, industry, and other affected stakeholders, with usable guidance for improving the safety of their workers
- An easy-to-use framework, ISO 45001 can be applied to both captive and partner factories and production facilities, regardless of their location
- The ability to demonstrate to all stakeholders an established system for managing and reducing risks
- A distinct commercial advantage when dealing with other businesses

What will happen to OHSAS 18001?

ISO 45001 will replace OHSAS 18001. Organisations certified to OHSAS 18001 have three years to comply with the new standard.

If you base your occupational health and safety management system on OHSAS 18001, (whether certificated or not) it will need to be reviewed. The most effective way to do this is to conduct a GAP analysis that will identify what you need to do to ensure your system meets the new requirements.

For more information on ISO 45001 and guidance on how 4see can assist, please contact us on 01327 811166 or enquiry@4see.co.uk.

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