

OHSAS 18001: Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems



It's not easy being safe, but it's worth the effort

Creating a safe workplace, while always a top priority for all organizations, is now a legal requirement in many countries. The increased number of work-related accidents and illnesses has focused the world's attention on the idea of occupational health and safety (OH&S). Your attention – or lack of attention – to OH&S may have an impact on your corporate image with customers, regulators, or the general public.

Quick Intertek Facts

- Trusted leader in Management Systems Certification
- As experts in the industries of our customers, we provide a complete quality and safety solution with the services that they need
- Intertek Group plc is listed on the London Stock Exchange – FTSE 100
- Our customers include some of the world's leading brands, major global and local companies and governments
- Operates in more than 100 countries with over 24,000 employees

Control safety risks with an OHSMS

There are many different options for planning and managing a safety program. One of the most efficient methods is to use an Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS) to integrate your safety program into your company's existing management structure. This integration is assured with compliance to the internationally-recognized OHSAS 18001 standard.

Implementation of an OHSMS and compliance with OHSAS 18001 carries many benefits, including:

Improved overall performance – Your OHSMS helps your organization become more efficient and productive by eliminating or minimizing the risk of accidents, emergency situations, occupational injuries and other work-related illnesses.

Systematic approach – The OHSAS 18001 standard introduces a systematic approach to identify and assess hazards and risks in the workplace, and implement preventative measures as part of day-to-day operations.

Reduced costs and liability – A reduced risk of accidents and health hazards means your organization protects its workers and, consequently, lowers the risk of having to cover insurance payments and legal costs.

How Intertek can help

Intertek provides its clients with certification to the OHSAS 18001 standard. Our knowledge, expertise, and experience with OH&S issues promote an efficient certification process from start to finish. In addition to OHSAS 18001, Intertek can concurrently assess your management system to other standards such as ISO 9001 or ISO 14001, often resulting in a shorter audit duration and saving you time and money.

With Intertek as your auditing and certification partner, you'll get much more than a certificate: you'll gain valuable tools to reduce documentation, identify cost savings, and avoid loss of production. Our knowledgeable experts function as an extension of your management team, helping you to build a strong OHSMS and promote a culture of workplace safety.

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