

## Integrated Management System

An Integrated Management System (IMS) combines all aspects of an organisation's systems, processes and Standards into one smart management system. This merger allows operations to streamline its management, save time and increase efficiency by addressing all elements of the management system.

A successful IMS cuts the unnecessary hassle and work of multiple management systems. For example, instead of holding audits for each Standard and separate record maintenance, an organisation only need to hold one only. An IMS allows these processes to be combined so that they simultaneously cover all Standard-specific requirements.

Integration is now seamless. Standards share a similar structure of 10 clauses, which makes it much easier to see the similarities and shared processes of each Standard.



## *What are the benefits of an IMS?*

### **Performance**

Streamlined procedures and continual improvement can help to push your business with better quality, improved health and safety, and increased productivity.

### **Speed and cost-effectiveness**

Integrated management with shared tasks and processes mean the costs and time needed to implement and maintain your system could be reduced. By conducting just one audit and one management review, you can save both time and money and senior staff can move onto other essential tasks.

### **Consistency**

Integrating your systems strips away complexity. With aligned systems and shared processes, you can make your procedures more logical and coherent. It will make common business goals stand out and give your business clearer, more defined objectives for success.

### **ISO 9001 and ISO 14001**

This IMS combines the Quality Management System with the Environmental Management System. In addition to a strong customer focus and the implementation of effective business practices for consistency and quality, the roles of leaders and the need for monitoring and assessment are required by both.

### **ISO 9001 and ISO 45001**

This IMS merges the Quality Management System with the Occupational Health & Safety Management System. To achieve both you must show how you intend to improve, implement operations to measure and improve your management system, and both monitor and evaluate your business practices.

### **ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 45001**

For a fully streamlined system that takes care of all of your main ISO management needs, you can combine the Quality Management System, Environmental Management System and Occupational Health & Safety Management System.

All of these combinations work well together due to their shared structure, which means they have plenty of similarities that can make managing them more straightforward. Simple language also makes them easier to implement and ensures that your team members know what to do.

This gives more room to focus on driving continual improvement across a whole range of crucial areas without wasting unnecessary time and resources.