



Revision OHSAS18001



What is new?



Key changes between OHSAS 18001:1999 and OHSAS18001:2007

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- OHSAS now refers to itself as a standard, not a specification
- New definitions have been added, and existing definitions revised
- Importance of “Health” has now been given greater emphasis
- Management of change is now more explicitly addresses



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- The importance of participation and consultation of workers has been given greater emphasis (special chapter 4.4.3.2)
- The “Evaluation of compliance” has been introduced as per ISO14001:2004
- New requirements have been introduced for the “Investigation of incidents” (special chapter 4.5.3.1)
- Hierarchy of controls as part of OH & S planning :
 - ❖ elimination
 - ❖ substitution
 - ❖ engineering controls
 - ❖ signage/warnings and/or administrative controls
 - ❖ personal protective equipment



Customer Information

- Please inform your customers about the changes of OHSAS18001:2007
- 1 manday needed for upgrading during next assessment
- The transition period is not defined by the accreditation body (as far as we know currently)

Expected : two years until 1 July 2009



Transitioning to OHSAS 18001:2007

- Interpret OHSAS18001:2007
- Identify need for action
- Implement modifications
- Evaluate compliance with OHSAS18001:2007
- 3rd party assessment following the demonstrated implementation of modifications



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