

# FAHSS TÜV NORD – Certification of Occupational Safety & Health Management Systems according to OHSAS 18001



As globalization progresses, the world of work is changing permanently. On an international scale cutting the work accident rates and maintaining smooth operations are becoming more and more important.

Accidents can give rise to high costs for the companies involved and lead to a loss of image. Today companies are called upon nationally and throughout Europe to demonstrate compliance with specifications and regulations in the form of intact management systems. For example, they must demonstrate that they comply with the German Plant Safety Ordinance or the Hazardous Incidents Ordinance.

Management is responsible for implementing these specifications. If they fail to comply they can sometimes expect heavy penalties. An effective occupational safety and health system is a further step in the creation of the “legally secure” company.

The British Standards Institution together with various certification companies has developed OHSAS (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series) 18001.

This standard has been quite consciously based closely on ISO 14001 and ISO 9001 both in terms of its content and structure. The idea here was to enable companies to set up an integrated management system as simply and inexpensively as possible.

At the present time OHSAS 18001 is the only occupational safety and health management system of far-reaching international significance. By means of comprehensive prevention, it helps ensure systematic and ongoing improvement in the standard of occupational and plant safety.

Cutting the number of work accidents and ensuring smooth operations are also major factors in a company's success.

In contrast, certification to the SCC standard (Safety Certificate Contractor) developed by the oil industry is only aimed at contractors operating in the plants of the oil and chemical industries. SCC certification only applies to Germany and a few neighboring countries.

**OHSAS – competent occupational safety and health increases a company’s success**

OHSAS 18001 offers you many advantages. An effective occupational safety and health management system ensures that

- work accidents are cut by prevention and risk analysis
- the risk of major accidents is minimized by systematizing safety measures
- knowledge and enforcement of current laws and ordinances are assured
- the costs of material damage and insurance claims are reduced
- employees are more highly motivated
- it is possible to demonstrate an independent assessment in the form of a certificate

**We want to help you on your way into a forward-looking and safe future:**

More than 200 expert auditors and inspectors are at your service at TÜV NORD CERT in matters of certification.

Many of our auditors are qualified in more ways than one. They are both experienced occupational safety specialists and quality and environmental auditors. This enables us to put together an audit team to meet your company's needs.

We offer one-stop certification of your integrated management system, thus cutting the expense.

Our auditors give you practical assistance and support while you set up an effective, efficient integrated management system as part of your overall modern corporate management. Why not ask us for further information and our professional advice?

OHSAS 18001	ISO 14001	ISO 9001
Occupational safety and health policy	Environmental policy	Quality policy
Risk assessment	Environmental aspects	Customer orientation
Legal requirements	Statutory requirements	Customer requirements
Occupational safety and health goals	Environmental protection goals	Quality goals
Occupational safety and health programmes	Environmental programmes	QM planning Continuous improvement
Structure, responsibility	Organizational structure, responsibility	Responsibility and powers