



## Occupational Health & Safety Management Systems OHSAS 18001: 2007

**The management of occupational health and safety is a minimum requirement in every business, but how do you know you are meeting your obligations and how do you prove it to others?**

OHSAS 18001 is an international occupational health and safety management system. It validates companies that show excellence in health and safety performance, and demonstrates leadership in reducing risk and creating an injury-free workplace. This standard enables companies to control health and safety risks while promoting employee wellbeing and a safe working environment.

OHSAS 18001 does more than protect staff. Failure to manage health and safety can result in serious incidents. So as well as putting staff wellbeing at risk, businesses can risk substantial financial penalties, criminal and civil prosecution and loss of reputation.

### What are the benefits?

Having your health & safety management system independently certified by BM TRADA will reassure stakeholders that you take corporate responsibility seriously. By demonstrating your commitment to managing health & safety and best practice in the workplace it can improve your competitive edge.

Specifically, OHSAS 18001 will:

- reduce risk of serious incidents, financial penalties, loss of reputation and potential legal costs
- demonstrate to regulators, customers and other stakeholders that the organisation is committed to best practice in health and safety management

- identify and understand legal requirements
- help deliver measurable objectives and a structured risk assessment
- reduce accidents, stress and occupational sickness
- enhance your reputation as an employer of choice
- improve staff morale and productivity.

# How to achieve certification

## 01 Application and review

Complete the BM TRADA request for quote form. This allows us to accurately define your scope of certification and to provide you with a quotation and a competent audit team.

## 02 Initial certification audit (includes two mandatory visits)

**Stage 1 – this audit is to confirm your readiness for the stage 2 audit. It includes:**

- review of the management system documentation
- evaluation of the location and site specific conditions
- review of the status and understanding of the requirements of the standard
- evaluation of whether internal audits and management reviews are planned and performed.

**Stage 2 – this audit is to confirm that your management system fully conforms with the requirements of the OHSAS 18001 standard. It includes:**

- evaluation of the level of implementation and effectiveness of the management system according to the requirements of the standard
- a sample audit of the processes and activities defined in the scope
- provide a written report on the audit findings and non conformances that need to be addressed.

## 03 Certification

On completion of step two (and closure of any identified non-conformities) certification is granted by BM TRADA. You will be issued with a certificate and certification marks to demonstrate and promote your certification.

Certification is valid for three years and is maintained through a programme of annual surveillance audits and a recertification audit in the third year before the certification expires.

### Additional services include:

- Quality – ISO 9001
- Environmental – ISO 14001
- Energy – ISO 50001
- Integrated – ISO 9001, ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001
- Information security – ISO 27001
- Food safety – ISO 22000 & HACCP
- BRC global standard food safety
- BRC global standard packaging
- UTZ certified cocoa & coffee
- Supply chain – palm oil & soy
- Chain of custody
- BM TRADA Q-Mark

### Related training services:

- Occupational health & safety management systems internal auditing
- Occupational health & safety management systems auditor conversion (IRCA Registered A17531)

Call us for a quote or to discuss your certification needs

## Why BM TRADA?

Choosing BM TRADA means you are working with a major international certification body with an impressive record in management system certification. Our industry expertise and the standard of our services have helped us deliver certificates to businesses in 70 countries around the world.

We pride ourselves on being approachable and responsive, and on offering clear, transparent pricing with no hidden costs. Making us your certification partner means you will have a designated auditor who understands your business.

We can also provide a range of training courses, either to help you understand the requirements of a particular standard or to develop your skills as an auditor.



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