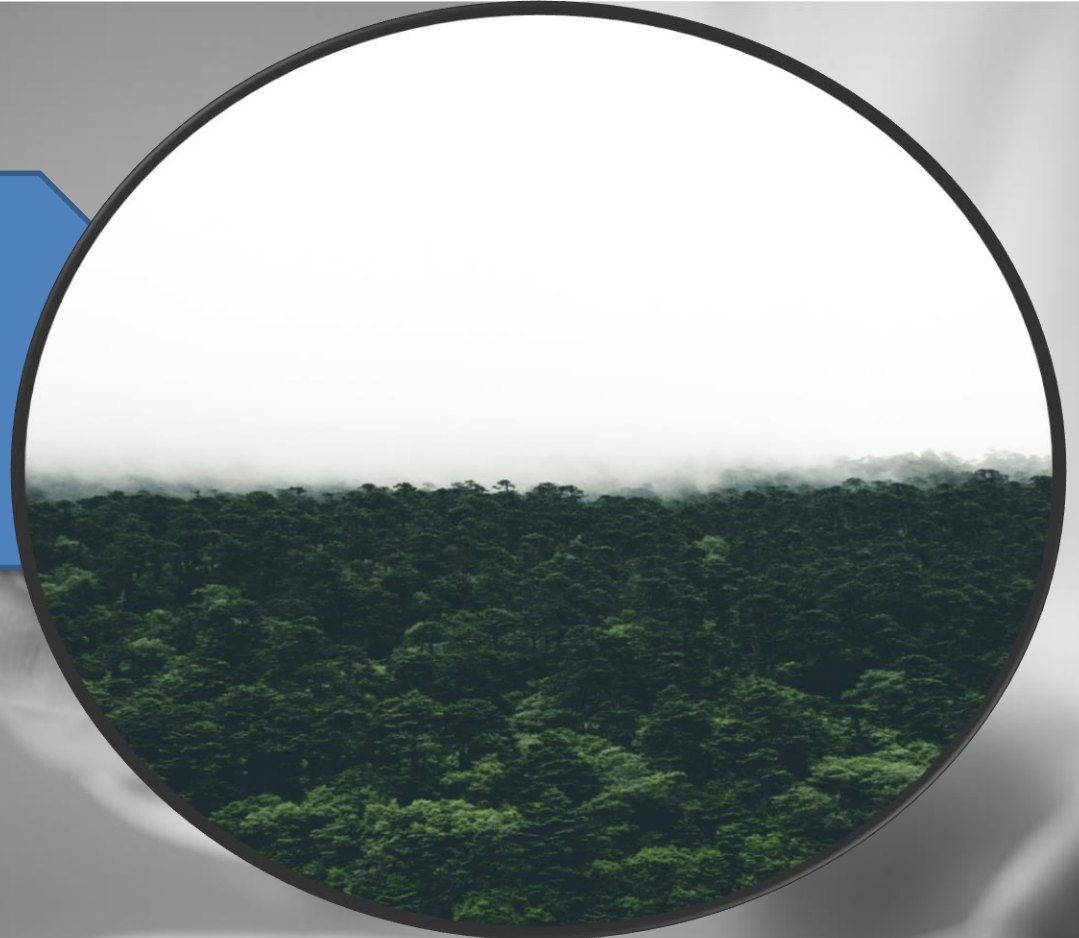# ISO 14001 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CERTIFICATION

## VALIDATE YOUR ORGANIZATION'S ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY WITH THE ISO 14001 CERTIFICATION

*ISO 14001 sets out the criteria for an Environmental Management System (EMS). It does not state requirements for environmental performance, but sets out a framework that your company can follow in order to benefit the environment and also improve efficiency by reducing costs and the environmental impact of your organization.*

*ISO 14001 certification can be used by any organization that wants to stand out from the competition, drive down costs, and validate its improvement of resource efficiency, waste reduction.*

**BENEFITS OF ISO 14001 CERTIFICATION TO YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

- Improved performance of affected process
- Develops the corporate image and credibility
- Quantifies, monitors and controls the impact of operations on the environment, now and in the future
- Ensures legislative awareness and compliance
- Improves environmental performance of supply chain
- Protects the company, assets, shareholders and directors
- Grows your access to business partners and potential customers
- Averts pollution and reduces waste,
- Responds to pressure from customers and shareholder

**BENEFITS OF ISO 14001 CERTIFICATION TO YOUR CUSTOMERS:**

- Improved quality and service
- Establishes trust and credibility to customers
- Reduced customer audits
- Independent audit demonstrates commitment to quality
- Reassures customers who take an active interest in environmental performance that they are working with a company which promotes a shared environmental ethics

## UNDERSTANDING THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS

ISO 14001 certification (also known as "registration") is granted by a third-party (accredited company), upon verifying through an audit that the organization is in compliance with the requirements of the ISO 14001 standard. This certification is then maintained through scheduled annual surveillance audits by the registrar, with re-certification of the Quality Management System performed on a triannual basis.

- Step 1. Pre-Audit (Optional)- It must be done at least 3 months before Certification Audit
- Step 2. Audit Plan - Plan for audit has to be mutually agreed
- Step 3. Audit Stage 1 & 2 - Non-conformities must be closed at least 3 months after audit conclusions
- Step 4. Initial Certification - Certificate will be issued within 2 weeks after successful audit closing

Once certification has been obtained, the organization will be subjected to two surveillance audits within 24 months from the initial certification:

- Surveillance Audit Stage 1 - No longer than 12 months from the initial certification audit
- Surveillance Audit Stage 2 - No longer than 12 months from the 1st surveillance audit

## WHY CHOOSE NETHOST?

NetHost provides certification for persons, management systems, and products on a wide range of international standards. As a global provider of training, examination, audit, and certification services, NetHost offers its expertise on multiple fields, including but not limited to Environmental Management.

We help organizations to show commitment and competence with internationally recognized standards by providing this assurance through the education, evaluation and certification against rigorous, internationally recognized competence requirements. With a global coverage of more than 700 partners in over 150 countries worldwide, our mission is to provide our clients comprehensive services that inspire trust, continual improvement, demonstrate recognition, and benefit society as a whole.

To find out how you can obtain the ISO 14001 certification, contact info@nethostlegislation.co.uk

### NETHOST CERTIFICATION PROCESS

| PRE-AUDIT (FACULTATIVE) | STAGE 1 AUDIT | STAGE 2 AUDIT | YEAR 2 (SURVEILLANCE AUDIT) | YEAR 3 (SURVEILLANCE AUDIT) |

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