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IAF / ISO: change to management system standards

The International Accredited Forum and the International Organization for Standardizations have made an amendment to all management standards, old and new, to reflect their commitment to climate action. These amendments state that climate change issues must be considered by organisations in context of the effectiveness of their management system – this includes ISO45001:2018 occupational health and safety management systems.

The clauses that have been altered are as follows:

4.1 Understanding the organization and its context.

The organization shall determine external and internal issues that are relevant to its purpose and that affect its ability to achieve the intended result(s) of its XXX management system.

Added: The organization shall determine whether climate change is a relevant issue.

4.2 Understanding the needs and expectations of interested parties.

The organization shall determine:

- *the interested parties that are relevant to the XXX management system.*
- *the relevant requirements of these interested parties.*
- *which of these requirements will be addressed through the XXX management system.*

Added: NOTE: Relevant interested parties can have requirements related to climate change.

Members are advised to review these changes and check their own policies, as not meeting the new requirements would constitute a minor non-conformance by the certification bodies. The original notification in relation to these changes can be seen [here](#).

PSS Safety Bulletins

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