

Want to exceed customer expectations
and stand out from the crowd?
Third party approval of management
systems from BRE Global





OHSAS 18001 - Occupational Health & Management Systems

Poor health and safety (H&S) performance means loss of reputation, loss of license to trade, lost business and huge extra costs. Occupational health and safety policies therefore are essential, not only for your employees, but your customers and stakeholders.

Incorporating H&S policies and procedures into the company's management systems helps ensure that H&S becomes a culture within a business resulting in a safer workplace, better H&S records and less lost time. Health and safety has moved beyond simple compliance with the law and is now part of the Corporate Responsibility agenda. Good performance reduces costs and gives you a competitive edge.

OHSAS 18001 addresses the following key areas:

- Risk identification
- Removal or minimisation of these risks
- Legal and other requirements
- Objectives and OHS programmes
- Competence, training and awareness

Certification by an independent third party gives assurance to clients that a company is adequately addressing the occupational health and safety, important in all organisations but particularly those involved with complex safety related products and systems. Third party auditing creates opportunities to improve performance.

ISO 14001 - Environmental Management System

With clients and shareholders showing increasing awareness of environmental issues, ISO 14001 provides a great opportunity for businesses to demonstrate environmental responsibility and commitment to reducing the environmental impact of day-to-day operations.

The benefits of ISO 14001 include:

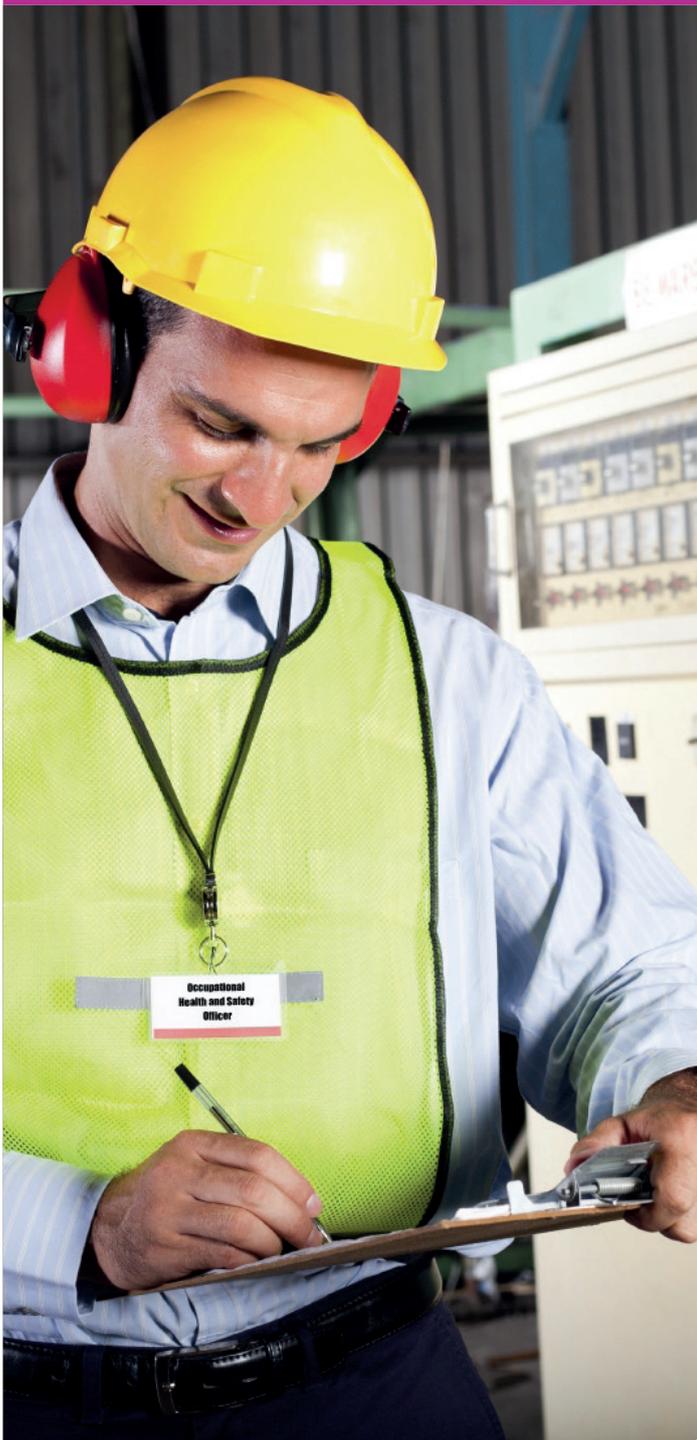
- Identification and control of the environmental impact of activities, products or services.
- A systematic approach to setting environmental objectives and targets, and achieving and maintaining these.
- Reduced operational costs, for example through optimisation of energy and resource usage.
- New business opportunities to work with environmentally aware customers
- Continuous improvement in environmental performance.

The audit of the environmental processes by an independent third party Certification Body aids you in ensuring that all relevant aspects have been adequately addressed. It also helps identify areas where improvement can be made.

BRE Global Ltd is accredited by UKAS (the United Kingdom Accreditation Service) for the approval of Environmental Management Systems to ISO 14001



Demonstrate your commitment



Quality Management Systems

Customers, consumers and shareholders increasingly want to see commitment to quality throughout all aspects of business. Companies can demonstrate this commitment through the implementation of a Quality Management Systems (QMS).

A certificated QMS demonstrates compliance with standards of quality commitments and can provide customers with the assurance they require while helping businesses stand out from the competition.

BRE Global (incorporating LPCB), offers third party certification (approval) of quality, environment and occupational health and safety management systems.

An independent review and certification of the management processes and procedures against a declared scope can help reduce your business risks; giving existing and future customers confidence that your business complies with the most widely recognised international management system standards.

Factory Production Control (FPC)

For manufacturers, a Factory Production Control audit will give further assurance to customers that product quality is consistently maintained to the required standard. FPC audits focus upon the manufacturing process controls operated within the company to ensure ongoing compliance of certificated products.

Through FPC audits and reviews of related quality documents, BRE Global/LPCB can confirm that requirements have been effectively implemented and that the company is capable of maintaining product or service approval requirements.

Full details can be obtained from the Assessment Services Team. To download a copy of the FPC (PN111) document, please click on the 'Downloads' section on www.redbooklive.co.uk

Commitment to quality

ISO 9001 - Quality Management Standard

Customers frequently expect that suppliers pro-actively comply with the highest product and service standards. ISO 9001 is the internationally recognised standard for Quality Management Systems and can be implemented in support of any product or service and provides a framework for a company to manage its processes and activities.

The benefits of ISO 9001 include:

- Cost savings through improved efficiency and productivity
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Increased market opportunities
- Enhanced company image, differentiation from competitors
- Improved employee motivation, awareness and morale
- Increased profit
- Risk management

Certification to ISO 9001 involves an independent audit of the quality management system that monitors and controls those processes and procedures.

Implementing ISO 9001 will:

- Provide companies with a quality management framework to help manage processes and activities.
- Demonstrate a company's commitment to quality of service, customer satisfaction and a willingness to work towards continual improvement.
- Ensure a consistent approach to quality.

FPC Auditing

A test report shows that a sample of a product passed the test on a given day but does not indicate that it is the same as the product being sold in the market place. That is why all LPCB Product Approvals require an FPC audit to verify the appropriate manufacturing controls are in place.

If you have ISO 9001 certification with another Certifying body, BRE Global can still carry out an FPC Audit. The only prerequisite is that your ISO 9001 certification must be valid, reflect the scope of a corresponding product certification and must also be issued by a Certification Body accredited by a member of the International Accreditation Forum.



BRE Global and LPCB approval

BRE Global (incorporating LPCB) offers third-party approval to all the above standards and is UKAS accredited for auditing of management systems to ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 and can provide an integrated service to companies wanting approval to two or more of these management systems standards.

Our integrated audits can help companies:

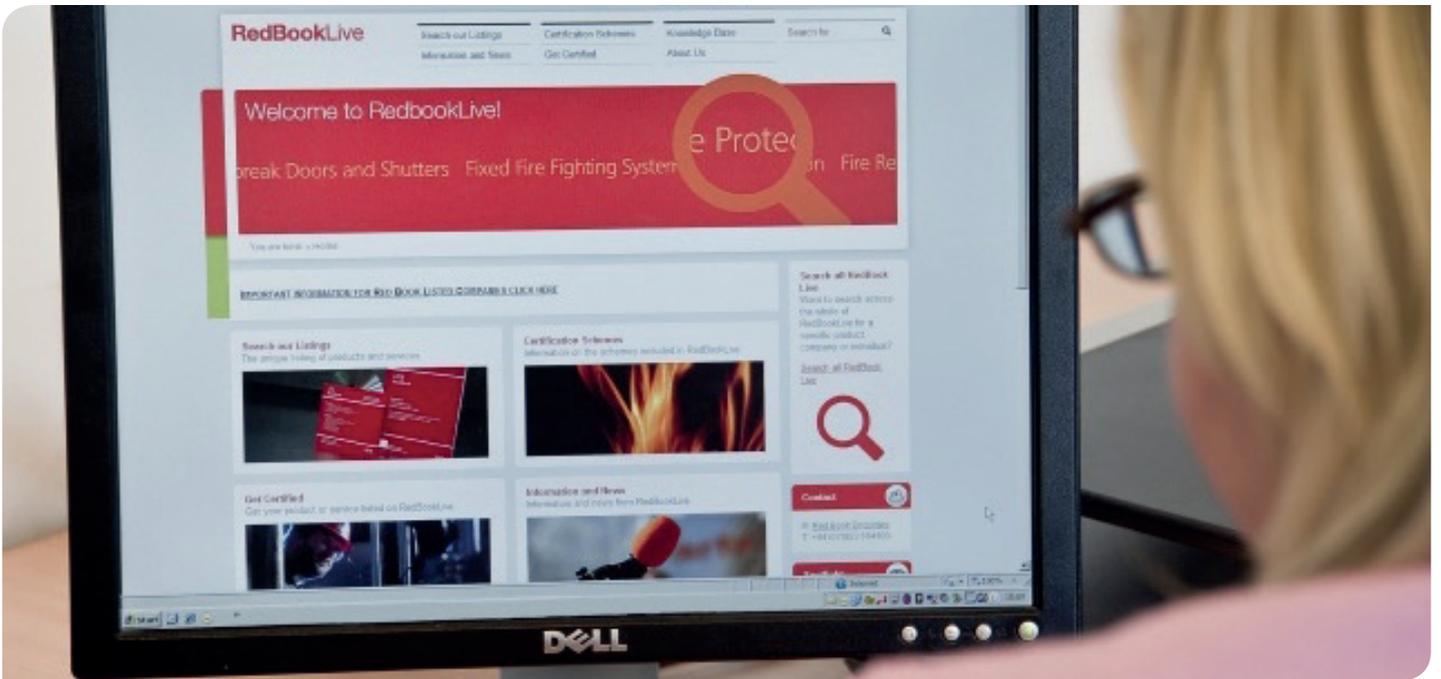
- 1) save time
- 2) save money and
- 3) reduce disruption.

For companies operating in the fire and security area with LPCB product or service approvals, our Management System approval is issued in the name of LPCB. Where companies do not require LPCB product or service approval, then the certificate is issued in the name of BRE Global Limited.



The certification process





About BRE Global

BRE Global is an independent, third-party approvals body offering testing, inspection and certification of fire, security and sustainability products and services to an international market. Its product testing and approvals are carried out by recognised experts in its world renowned testing laboratories.

BRE Global also offers cutting-edge research, training, standards writing and other associated services. The company is the custodian of a number of leading brands including:

- LPCB, which is responsible for the approval of fire and security products and services listed in the Red Book.
- BREEAM, the world's leading environmental assessment method for buildings. BREEAM sets the standard for best practice in sustainable design and has become the de-facto measure of a building's environmental performance.

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The BRE Group is owned by the BRE Trust, a registered charity that works to advance knowledge, innovation and communication in all built environment issues. The profits made by the Group are passed to the Trust to promote its charitable objectives.

The BRE Group offers expertise in almost every aspect of the built environment. BRE helps clients to create better, safer and more sustainable products, buildings, communities and businesses, and supports the innovation needed to achieve this.

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