ISO 9001 Certification Services

In the metals and metal fabrication industry, there is often great pressure to become certified to international standards of quality. Although the ISO 9001 certification process is challenging to accomplish and can take a major commitment of your company’s assets, you will discover it is a rewarding endeavor for your metals firm if you use DOT Quality Services: we are part of your industry.

Selecting a certification body (registrar) is an important step when you are starting your process or when you are looking for a new organization as a partner to improve your system. You will work closely with the certification body, so it is important to choose one that you feel comfortable with and who understands your industry and business goals. DOT Quality Services has a reputation in metal fabrication, manufacturing, and construction. Your certification body should meet your needs as a partner for healthy internal improvement, but DOTQS believes it is also important for your certification body to help you meet the demands of your customers.

DOTQS is passionate about preparing clients so that their ISO 9001 quality systems are easily ready for changing customer requirements.

DOTQS is an excellent source of current industry requirements that you’ll need to be aware of and incorporate in your quality system. Establish a leading reputation with your customers and increase their confidence in your firm. Get ISO 9001 certified by DOT Quality Services.

Why Become ISO 9001 Certified?

- Internationally accepted set of quality management system requirements that can be applied to any service or manufacturing organization.
- Achieving certification is a publicly recognized accomplishment by your organization.
- Improved processes to reduce errors and rework.
- Increase customer confidence in your business process to deliver product and services to their specification or your promised design.

How to Prepare for Certification

1. Training – team members will need to understand the applicable standards for the quality management system.
3. Implement your management system including internal audits and management reviews.

What to look for when selecting a Certification Body (Registrar)

1. Accredited by a reputable national body (ANAB, ANSI, UKAS, RvA, or other national accreditation body)
2. Industry experience and expertise
3. Recommended by your clients or customers
4. Ability to meet your timeframe
5. Comfort in establishing a long term relationship
Steps to Certification

1. Complete the RFQ Application
2. Execute the Certification Agreement
3. Pre-Assessment (Optional) – You can choose to have a preliminary evaluation of the implementation of your management system to identify areas of nonconformance and allow you to correct these areas before you begin the certification process.
4. Initial Certification Stage 1 Audit – Involves a detailed review of the documents including internal audit records, and management review minutes.
5. Initial Certification Stage 2 Audit – Assessment of system implementation.
7. Certification – Clients successfully meeting the certification requirements will be issued a Certificate of Conformity indicating the standard(s) to which certification has been achieved.
8. Surveillance Audit – Conducted on site at six (6) month or twelve (12) month intervals to determine ongoing conformity.
9. Recertification Audit – Full on site audits are conducted every three (3) years for renewal of certification.

Cost

Certification costs will vary according to the size of the company, number of locations and any existing certifications. An Auditor may need to carry out a preliminary site visit in order to evaluate these factors. Fees are charged on the basis of competitive audit-day rates and the applicant is required to pay any out-of-pocket expenses of the Auditor(s).

About DOTQS

DOT Quality Services is accredited by ANAB (ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board) as a certification body to grant certification to qualified firms who meet requirements.

DOTQS provides certification services world-wide with managed audits and detailed, actionable reports containing comprehensive, objective evidence to support reported observations.