

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Please forward to all affected employees in your organisation!

Amended regulations for recertification procedures

The amended regulation by the DAkkS concerns certifications of the following standards: ISO 9001 | ISO 15378 | ISO 14001 | ISO 50001 | EN 9100 ff | OHSAS 18001 | SCC / SCP | ISO 22000 | FSSC 22000 | ISO 20000 | ISO 27001 | ISO 28000 | ISO 29990 | ISO 13485

Dear Customers,

An important change has been made with regard to deadlines for recertification procedures. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you about the most important points in the amended regulations.

In order to ensure that a **certification remains uninterrupted when it is renewed**, the recertification must be completed **within 3 months** before the date of expiry (the end of the certification period), at the latest. That means the **recertification audit** (including any corrective measures, if applicable) must be completed, and the recertification decision must be reached, **before the expiry of the certificate**. The certificate will only be valid immediately after the end of the previous certification period if these conditions are met.

Renewal of certifications with interruptions is only allowed if the following conditions are met:

- a) If non-conformities have been identified, the certifying body must receive a binding plan for the measures to be implemented before the end of the certification period.
- b) The certification decision must be reached within three months of the end of the certification period.
- c) The validity of the new certificate will not begin until the day on which the recertification decision is reached.

Of course, in our role as a reliable certification partner, we will proactively help you meet the requirements of the new regulations. We will also take the new deadlines into account in our future plans.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please feel free to contact your account manager.

Best regards, Your certifying body TÜV Rheinland Cert GmbH Am Grauen Stein 51105 Cologne Germany

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