



Health and Safety in the Workplace

ISO 45001

Product Sheet

Safe and healthy workplaces are key for effective businesses. Modern occupational health and safety goes far beyond simple accident prevention to pursue a comprehensive, proactive approach. All risks that may result in work-related incidents, up to and including disability or incapacity for work, must be taken into account. This includes aspects of occupational safety related to operational processes, as well as stress-related factors in the organization that can affect mental health.

ISO 45001 is the only internationally-recognized independent standard that defines the requirements for company-wide health and safety management systems. With an ISO 45001 certification from DEKRA, you can demonstrate the importance of health and safety in your corporate culture.

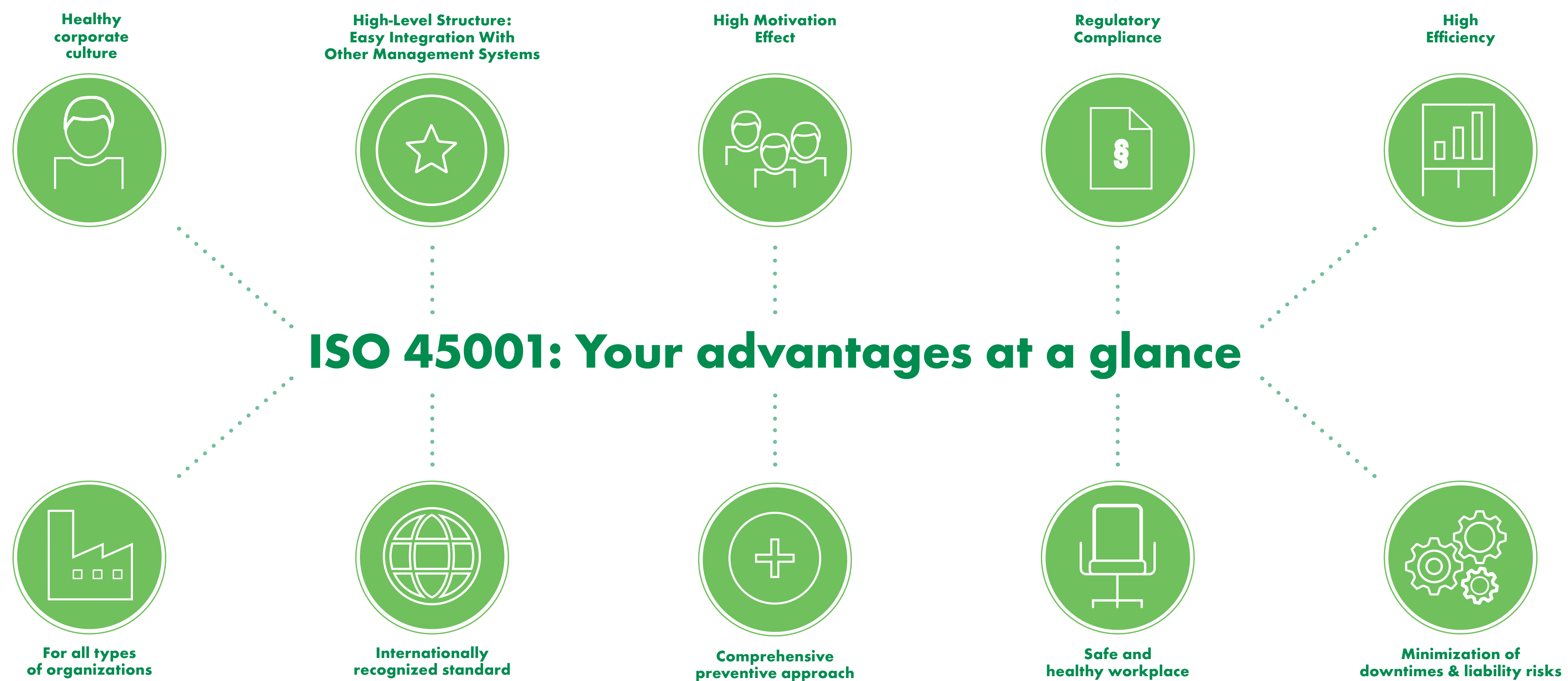
What Is ISO 45001?

With its risk-based approach, the standard lays the groundwork for a comprehensive approach to a healthy corporate culture. Conditions across the entire supply chain are taken into consideration in order to prevent work-related injuries, illnesses, and hazards.

The standard can be applied to all types of organizations. Notably, organizations that have multiple locations and work with numerous contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, or temporary workers can often benefit.

Goals of ISO 45001

The objectives of the new occupational health and safety standard are the same as those of the former OHSAS 18001. The new standard was developed to unify all national and international occupational health and safety management requirements into a single standard. You can now orient your efforts around a uniform global occupational health and safety standard, thus preventing possible confusion and market fragmentation for different occupational health and safety management standards.



What is the biggest major change?

Even though ISO 45001 is a new standard, most of its basic principles were already available and documented in OHSAS 18001. ISO 45001 now also includes standardized requirements for health and safety at work for managers, employees, and service providers, including the specific requirements related to their respective working environments and conditions.

The focal points of the requirements include:

- Context of the organization
- Risk-based approach
- Continuous improvement of organizations using the PDCA model
- Leadership
- Outsourcing / subcontracting
- Process management
- Interested parties

The focus is both on preventing behaviors within the organization that can lead to accidents at work, as well as supplier management throughout the supply chain. Following the publication of ISO 45001 in spring 2018, it became the first international standard for occupational health and safety management systems, replacing OHSAS 18001 after a transition period of three years (March 2021).



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