Swiss Association
for Quality and Management
Systems (SQS)

Products rule

SQS certified/assessed management system

Swiss Made

Partner of IQNet

1. *Introduction*

SQS has established the terms and conditions as well as the rights and obligations in connection with its services (namely auditing, assessment, certification and training) in its «Regulation for SQS services and warranty marks».

In the present «Products rule», SQS regulates the specific procedure and the conditions for obtaining and maintaining «Certified management systems and assessed management systems» for the following normative basis. The «Products rule» rank alongside the «Regulation for SQS services and warranty marks».

The products listed below that are certified or assessed by SQS are subject to the conditions of implementation of this rule (subject to change):

Main standards
ISO 9001
ISO 14001
OHSAS 18001
ISO 45001
ISO 50001
BRC Consumer Products
BRC Global Standard Packaging
EN 14065/UNI EN 14065
EN 15593
EN 15838
F4SS AuditOne
FAMI-QS
FSSC 22000
FSSC 22000 Packaging
IATF 16949
IFS Broker
IFS International Food Standard
IFS Logistics Standard
IQNet SR 10
ISO 13485
ISO 14298
ISO 15378
ISO 22000
ISO 22301
ISO 22716
ISO 29990
ISO 37001
ISO/IEC 20000-1
ISO/IEC 27001
UNI EN 16636

Additional standards
AQAP 2110
Certification of the HACCP system
EN 15017
EN 15224
ISO 3834-2
ISO 3834-3
ISO 3834-4
ISO 17712
Regulation (EU) 445/2011 – ECM maintenance
UNI 10881

Guidelines
Medical Device Directive 93/42/EEC
Pressure Equipment Directive 2014/68/EU
Regulation EU n. 333/11
SR 930.114 Pressure equipment regulation (CH)

National schemes
Certification of data protection management systems pursuant to Swiss data protection legislation (CH)
DPG colour certification (DE)
Q-disabled institution:2016, formerly FSIO-DI 2000 (CH)
Quality criteria for social institutions in Latin Switzerland (CH)
QuaTheDA (CH)
RT-05 (IT)
SODK OST+ (CH)
SR 930.112 Elevator Ordinance (CH)
UNI 10891 (IT)
UNI 11068 (IT)
UNI 11352 (IT)

Labels
CWA 15374
EFfCI
Fair Compensation
FEGEMS
Good Medical Practice
IN-Qualis
PEFC COC
Reference quality system for hospital pharmacies
Responsible Care

Assessment models
EcoEntreprise

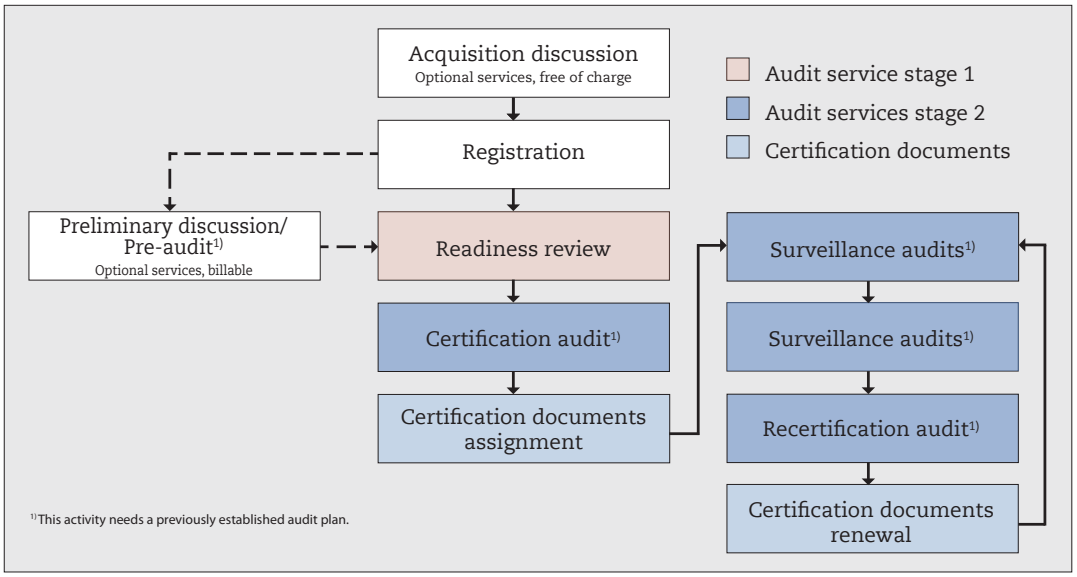
Other certification and assessment services are subject to the «Regulation for SQS services and warranty marks» and are regulated, where necessary, through additional «Product rule».

Details of the products listed above are shown at www.sqs.ch.

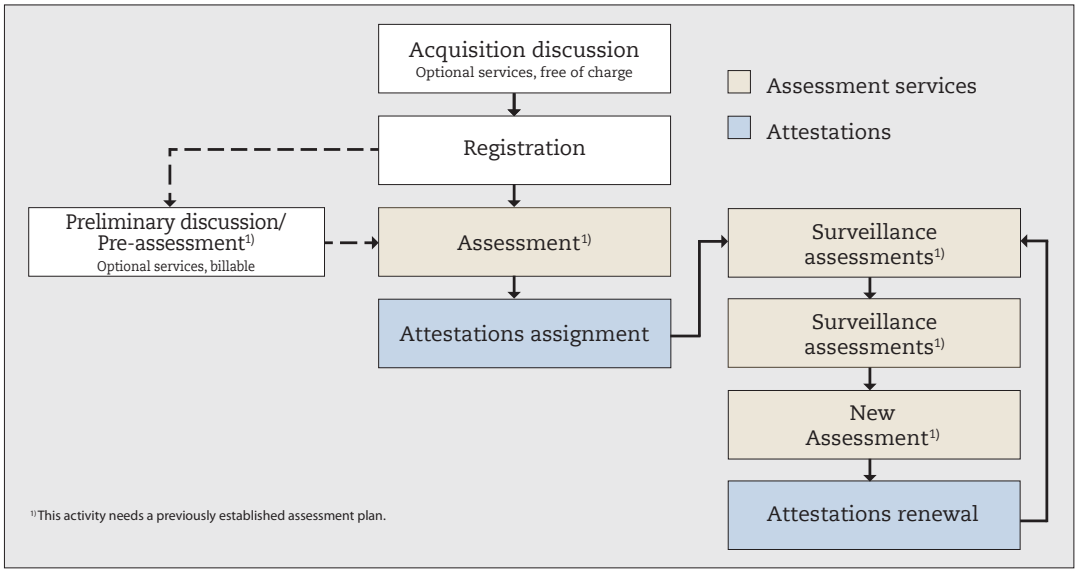
2. *Certification and assessment procedures*

To check whether the requirements of a «Certified management system and an assessed management system» are met and maintained, SQS carries out the following certification and assessment procedure which include both mandatory and optional additional steps:

Certification process



Assessment procedures



2.1 Additional requirements for integrated management systems

For integrated management systems to which the mandatory International Standard IAF MD 11 of the International Accreditation Forum applies (e.g. ISO 9001 in combination with ISO 14001 and/or ISO 45001), the audit time according to IAF MD 11 shall be increased accordingly if the management system in the certification process shows a lower degree of integration of the standards than indicated by the customer at the time of application.

An integrated management system combines methods and instruments for the compliance with requirements from different areas (e.g. quality, environment, safety) in a uniform structure.

This includes at least an integrated approach to the following normative requirements:
System documentation (processes and applicable documents), policies and objectives, internal audits, improvement mechanisms, management review and system support responsibilities.

3. SQS-certification documents/-attestations

The decision to issue the certification documents/attestations is taken by SQS. The certification documents include the name and address of the certified organisation, the scope, the normative base, the Reg. no, the validity period, the issue date and the QR Code.

Certification documents
- Certificate (mandatory) for Single-Site
- Main certificate with appendix (mandatory) and site certificate with/without sub-appendix (optional) for multi-sites

Attestations (optional)

Example certificate

SQS

Certificate

The SQS herewith attests that the organisation named below has a management system that meets the requirements of the normative base mentioned.

LOGO FIRMA

Muster Ltd
Postgasse 24
3053 Münchenbuchsee
Switzerland

Scope

Development, marketing and implementation of business management training programmes

Normative base

ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System

Reg. no. 12345

Validity 06. 06. 2019 – 05. 06. 2022
Issue 06. 06. 2019

A. Grisard, President SQS

F. Müller, CEO SQS

Swiss Association for Quality and Management Systems (SQS)
Bernstrasse 103, 3052 Zollikofen, Switzerland

Swiss Made

Partner of IQNet

4000_D_June 2019 / Version 2.0

4. Validity period and maintenance

The validity of a «SQS certified/assessed management system» is usually 3 years. The maintenance of the SQS certification/assessment is set out under point 2 of the present «Products rule».

The first surveillance audit after the initial certification must be carried out within 12 months (from the date of release by the expert commission), each additional annual surveillance within a tolerance of +/- 3 months (but at least 1 audit per calendar year).

For the products of the BRC and IFS family of standards, specific rules apply to the validity as well as to the maintenance. These are contained in the respective BRC and IFS standards. A validity period of 5 years generally applies to certificates in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/745.

5. Usage of labels

The provisions of the «Regulation for SQS services and warranty marks» apply.

6. Registration

The registration signed by the customer corresponds to the contract between SQS and the organisation to be certified.
Alternatively, a customer contract is also acceptable in which the SQS regulations and the applicable SQS «Product rule» are referenced (integral part of the contract).

7. Additional provisions

The specific requirements of the applicable product-specific normative basis apply.

Swiss Association for Quality and Management Systems (SQS)

Bernstrasse 103
3052 Zollikofen
Switzerland

T +41 58 710 35 35
F +41 58 710 35 45
www.sqs.ch