IEMA/IRCA ISO 14001:2015 Lead Environmental Auditor

INTRODUCTION

This highly interactive, intensive and challenging 5-day training programme is designed for those people who require and in-depth understanding of auditing techiniques and skills associated with the Lead Audiotr role. This course is registered with ***both*** the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) and the International Register of Certificate Auditors (IRCA).

DURATION

5 Days, 08.30 – 17.30 (days 1-3) 08.30 – 17.45 (day 4) 08.30 – 16.15 (day 5)

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course satisfies the training requirement for those seeking to register to register to the IEMA and/or the IRCA auditing scheme. It is also an essential for any serious environmental practitioner, particularly those who have the main responsibility for implementing and maintaining their environmental management system and manage an audit programme for internal audits. Essential also to those who are required to perform more demanding and extensive company audits (corporate auditing); or who are required to regularly assess the performance of other companies (supplier, contractor and/or certification auditors); and for those who are seeking to develop their auditing and environmental skills to a professional level.

PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

Those attending this course are expected to have prior knowledge of the following:

- **Environmental Management principles and concepts**
  - The Plan, Do, Check, Act (PDCA) cycle
  - Environmental issues including an appreciation of environmental protection and pollution prevention and control
  - Environmental management terms and definitions
  - Appreciation of environmental compliance issues
  - Environmental management terms and definitions
  - Typical structures for environmental management systems including process-based systems
  - Structure, content and requirements of ISO 14001:2015
- This knowledge can be gained in a number of ways:
  - Previous experience and existing knowledge
  - Attending an IRCA ISO 14001 Foundation course – or equivalent
  - Reading or self-study

If you would like to attend our IRCA registered ISO 14001 Foundation course at a discounted price to help you prepare for this Lead Auditor course please contact us.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The course is designed to help delegates deliver value-added audits to understand the principles of good Environmental Management and to develop their knowledge of the environmental management standards. To enable you to lead an audit team. It will also develop delegates' knowledge & understanding of different environmental audit types, and the practical skills required to plan, execute and report environmental management audits. On completion, delegates will be able to evaluate the effectiveness of an EMS based on the ISO 14001:2015 standard at a level acceptable to certification bodies.

COURSE CONTENT

- Auditing the requirements of ISO 14001:2015
- Key focus areas for auditing core environmental processes
- Overview of auditing for compliance
- Objectives and types of environmental audits
- Roles and responsibilities of auditors and of lead auditors
- Auditor skills & development
- Processes and techniques for planning, conducting & reporting audits
- Audit follow-up activities and auditing for continual improvement
- Effective audit planning, execution and reporting based on current auditing standards
- Identifying valid findings, non-conformities and corrective action management
- Certification (based on ISO 17021) processes for EMS

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WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Designed not only to help people perform value-added audits this course is also designed to develop delegates' wider understanding of environmental management systems development and implementation. Delegates will gain an understanding of the level of performance required for implementing a successfully certified EMS and how to assess against the ISO 14001:2015 standard. It will help delegates to develop essential conceptual skills including risk-based thinking, continual improvement, life-cycle thinking, and process-based approaches.
This course satisfies the formal training requirements for those wishing to register with the IEMA Auditor Registration Scheme and/or with the IRCA auditing scheme.

IN – HOUSE COURSES

Offering better value for money, they can be designed to closely match your specific requirements.

STYLE OF DELIVERY AND COURSE LEADERS

A combination of presentations and guided exercises and a highly interactive role-play exercise involving a simulated audit makes this course both beneficial and enjoyable for participants. Course attendees are assessed on their knowledge and understanding throughout the course and will also be required to sit a 2-hour examination to assess their level of understanding to successfully complete this course.
Our course leaders have substantial experience in the field of environmental management systems design and implementation. They are qualified and experienced auditors with extensive practical management experience across a wide range of sectors including manufacturing, service and utilities, local and national government.

CERTIFICATION

Delegates successfully completing the course, including examination, will be awarded an IEMA registered certificate as well as an IRCA registered certificate (A17948).

BOOKING AND COURSE FEES

The fee includes lunch and refreshments during the day. Please log on to our website www.iqms.co.uk and complete an on-line booking form advising payment details/purchase order number.

Fee: £1,395 plus VAT

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