



Sustainability is more important than ever as consumer awareness of climate change and pollution increases. Ensure your business is ready to meet environmental requirements with **ISO 14001** certification!

## **WHAT IS ISO 14001?**

ISO 14001 is an international standard that lays out guidelines for implementing and maintaining an environmental management system, or "EMS." A voluntary standard that can be easily combined with other ISO management systems standards (e.g. ISO 9001), ISO 14001 promotes the use of proactive and effective controls to minimize environmental impacts or risks.

Certification to ISO 14001 can be used by any business looking to set up, improve, or maintain an EMS to conform with established environmental policy and requirements. The extent of integration between the requirements of the standard and a preexisting EMS is determined by multiple factors, such as the industry in question, environmental policy, products or services, and geographical location.

### **Key benefits of ISO 14001 certification and implementation include:**

- Improved efficiency; waste is reduced, which also brings down expenses
- Assurance that environmental impact is being carefully monitored, measured, and tracked
- Increased business opportunities through competitive advantage
- Increased stakeholder and client trust
- Can help meet legal obligations and improve overall environmental impact

### **What are the steps to becoming certified?**

1. Management commitment.
2. Registrar selection.
3. Election of management representative/steering group.
4. Start of internal audit cycle.
5. Create and maintain documented information as required.
6. Complete internal audit cycle.
7. Registrar manual review.
8. (Optional) Pre-assessment audit.
9. Registration Audit.
10. Certification.

## **PJR ADVANTAGES**

As a leader in the certification industry, PJR is focused on our clients' satisfaction and success! Our experienced auditors and dedicated schedulers give each client the individual one-on-one attention they deserve with detailed audit plans, flexible scheduling, and value-added auditing.

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