

What is RIOS?

The *Recycling Industry Operating Standard* or "RIOS", integrates Quality, Environmental, and Health & Safety Management (QEH&S) systems into one, specifically catering to the scrap recycling industry. As the first of its kind, RIOS can help scrap recyclers establish successful QEH&S audit performance, consistently. RIOS creates a simplified, standardized, and consolidated guideline with recyclers in mind.

RIOS implementation can generally aid companies in improving:

- Quality and consistency of production;
- Environmental audit performance within companies, thus controlling or lowering environmental expenses; and
- Health & Safety audit performance, which can ultimately reduce high costs of insurance and operation.



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How will RIOS benefit your company?

- **PROFITABILITY:** Increased customer retention and lower operation costs are strongly correlated with excellence in management system strength. RIOS combines elements of Quality, Environmental, and Health & Safety management into one integrated scheme providing you and your customers with the utmost efficiency, consistency, and productivity.
- **RECOGNITION:** Establishes a positive public image of your company's commitment to quality in production, decreased environmental impact, and increased workplace safety.
- **EASE OF IMPLEMENTATION:** Do you already have an existing ISO 9001, ISO 14001, or OHSAS 18001 certificate? Acquiring RIOS certification is easiest for those who have already exerted rigor in implementing one or more of these management systems.
- **VALUE-ADDED TOOLS:** A copy of the RIOS and the Guide to RIOS are provided to members in an electronic format. Access to training is also provided to members of ISRI.
- **CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT:** RIOS implementation incorporates improvement-driven goals, which may also aid in positively affecting customer satisfaction.



Who founded RIOS? How can I become involved?

RIOS was implemented by the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. (ISRI). ISRI maintains the position that their member organizations should carry out their operations "Safely or Not at All." The RIOS standard was created to increase efficiency within scrap recycling firms who sought continual improvement on their Quality, Environmental, and Health & Safety performance.

To become certified to RIOS, companies must pay a RIOS membership fee to ISRI, making specific members eligible for discounted materials and maintenance fees for each enrolled facility. Fees grant the specific member companies the use of one copy of the RIOS document and the RIOS Guide per facility, as well as updates to RIOS and the Guide, basic RIOS assistance, and access to RIOS training (as opposed to non-members).

Members of RIOS under ISRI also have the opportunity to become involved with RIOS governance in a number of ways, including serving on the RIOS Committee or on the RIOS Board of Directors. More information is available at www.certifiedelectronicsrecycler.com.



Why Choose PJR?

- Since 1996, PJR has had an active role in certifying environmental management system clients, and is ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001, R2 and e-Stewards accredited.
- PJR offers clients a single point of contact for audit scheduling and all customer service concerns.
- PJR offers FREE seminars, in-person training, and webinars on a variety of topics across the nation, including the RIOS standard.
- An individual project manager works with you to understand the unique attributes of your company before providing you with a cost and obligation free quote.

History of PJR

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