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HSE Audit | EHS Audit

An environmental health and safety audit (HSE Audit) is a structured process of collecting independent information on the efficiency, effectiveness, and reliability of the total system and drawing up plans for corrective action. HSE audits examine each stage in the occupational health and safety (OHS) management system by measuring compliance with the controls the organization has developed, with the ultimate aim of assessing their effectiveness and their validity for the future.

THE Applus+ SOLUTION

The delivery of environmental health and safety (EHS) audits at Applus+ can be broken down into four key stages:

1. Planning: The personnel designated as responsible according to the company's EHS audit plan appoints an audit manager and compose an audit team
2. Execution: The audit team conducts the audit, which will consist of pre-assessment, interviews, inspections and a final meeting
3. Reporting: The EHS audit manager submits the audit report to the manager of the audited company, who will in turn share it with the company's board and other stakeholders
4. Archiving: EHS audit reports are archived according to very strict criteria

Target customers

Environmental health and safety (EHS) audits are applicable to all businesses, in all industry and business sectors.

The EHS audits delivered by Applus+ helps a company:

- Measure how well it is performing in the area of occupational health and safety management (OHS)
- Determine that managers and other personnel are meeting the standards set by the company
- Assess the client's compliance with the OHS legislation which could affect its business

OHS management systems can be subject to examination by external stakeholders, including independent audit organisations, customers or enforcing authorities.

However, environmental health and safety (EHS) audits are also undertaken internally (first-party audits), often forming part of a 'self-declaration of conformity'.

Key customer benefits

Using the independent environmental health and safety (EHS) audit service from Applus+ helps our client to:

- Feel confident that they meet current legislation and best-practice standards
- Project a positive company image to third parties
- Reassure their staff that health and safety is taken seriously
- Ensure that both the organisation and its personnel are competent to fulfil their respective health and safety responsibilities
- Reduce their insurance premiums by demonstrating their health and safety competence to their insurance providers