

# ISO perfect pairs - the power of integration

A free guide





# The power of integration

You want to get on with growing your business and have lots of business goals you want to achieve. And you're probably facing increasing demands to deliver quality products and services, be environmentally sustainable, prioritise Health & Safety, stay cyber secure, and drive operational efficiency. So how can you do it all at the same time?

An integrated management system – but what exactly is it, how does it work and what are the benefits? What about which ISOs can you pair and how can multiple ISOs boost your business? Let's dive into the world of ISO pairing, where your business operations can turn into a well-oiled machine! In this guide, we'll explore how combining ISOs can make your processes smoother, compliance stronger and your performance grow.

## What is an integrated management system?

An integrated management system (IMS) is an easy way to implement, manage and monitor multiple ISO Standards. It helps you work smarter, not harder by handling multiple ISO Standards in one go and gaining the benefits of each. Sounds good, right? So, you could create an IMS that looks after quality, the environment, workplace Health & Safety and so much more. Whatever works best for your business - one solution to achieve multiple goals.

Merging multiple Standards into one smart system means you can tackle all aspects of your management system together. Taking advantage of a more streamlined set of processes and procedures so they cover all Standard requirements at the same time. This means you can save time, boost efficiency and remove any unnecessary hassle. Plus, with only one audit required for the entire integrated system, you can save more time and money and gain a holistic view of your business.

## How does it work?

Multiple ISOs don't have to mean double or triple the workload. Thanks to what's called the Annex SL structure, Standards that share this framework have the same ten core clauses which enhances alignment. This means they can be easily combined, with matching tasks tackled at the same time. Giving you a consistent approach that reduces duplication and uses your resources more efficiently.





# Perfect pairs

Which ISOs can be integrated? Let's go through some ISO combinations that pair perfectly and provide a streamlined path for you to easily implement multiple Standards. With their common framework, these ISOs work extremely well together. Using a standardised structure and simple language, these ideal combinations empower you to focus on continuous improvement across a whole host of essential areas.

## ISO 9001 and ISO 14001



Combining the Standard for quality with environmental management enhances your business' efficiency as well as its green credentials. By pairing ISO 9001 and ISO 14001, you can create a set of streamlined processes that help you achieve your quality and environmental objectives, making your business efficient, productive and sustainable.

## ISO 9001 and ISO 45001

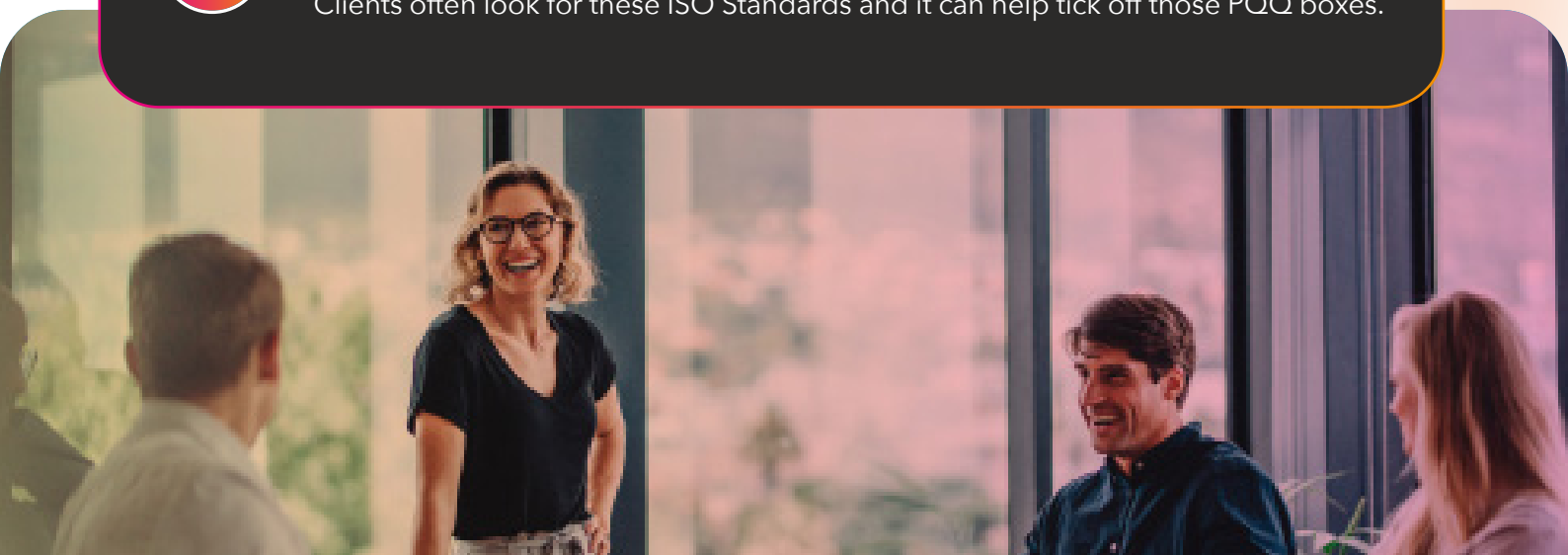


If you want to show your commitment to consistency, customer satisfaction and safety, then integrating the quality management system with the ISO for occupational Health & Safety is a great choice. This IMS creates a unified set of processes, promoting not only efficiency and quality but also prioritising the safety of workers, suppliers, and customers.



### Going for a tender?

You could be in a stronger position with one of these powerful combinations! Clients often look for these ISO Standards and it can help tick off those PQQ boxes.





### ISO 9001 and ISO 27001



With the rising threat of cyber crime and rapidly evolving technology, show you're all about quality and security with this combined management system. With a strong culture of information security and a focus on consistent quality, your business will be in the best place to attract new customers and keep the loyalty of the ones you already have.

### ISO 45001 and ISO 45003



ISO 45003 is the first global Standard giving employers practical guidance on managing psychological health in the workplace. By combining this with ISO 45001, the Standard for Health & Safety, you can create one smart system that can identify and control both physical and mental health risks to your employees.

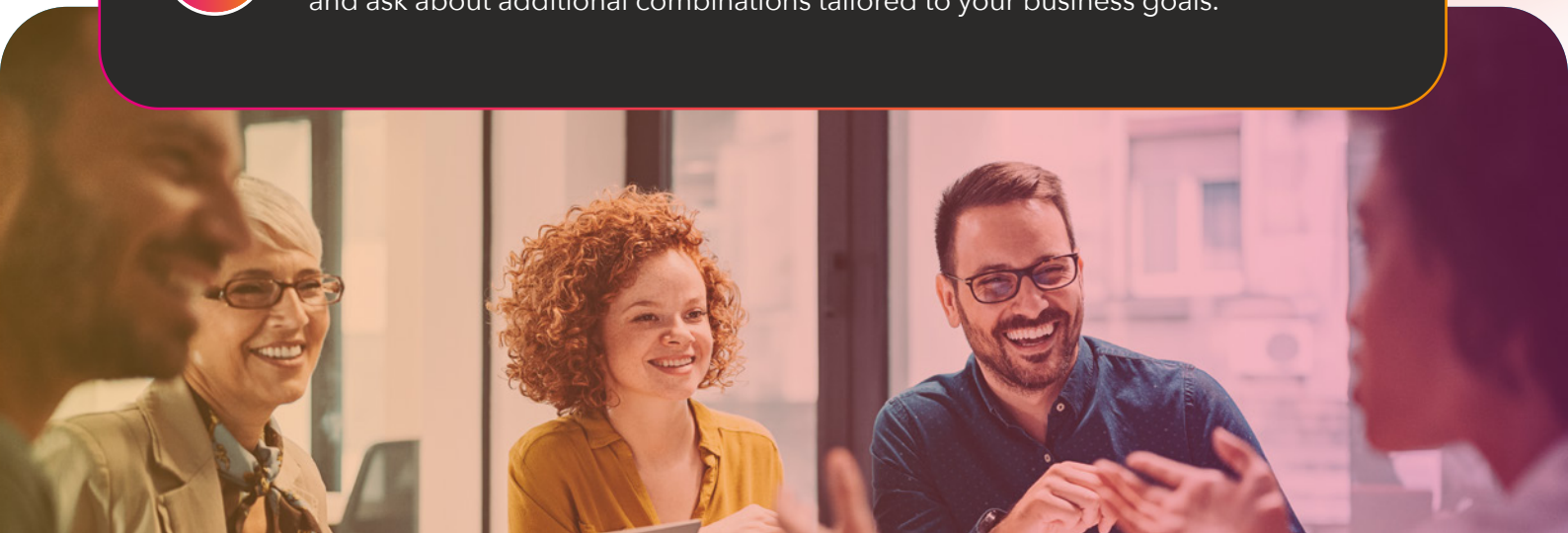
### ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 45001



Want to drive efficiency, sustainability and enhance safety practices? Why not combine all three of the most popular ISOs with one smart approach. Create an all-round system covering best business practices on quality, environmental management and Health & Safety.



**FYI** - These ISO combinations are some of the most popular but there are lots more possibilities. If you have specific goals in mind, don't hesitate to reach out and ask about additional combinations tailored to your business goals.





# The benefits of an IMS

Performance, speed, efficiency... An integrated system can raise your business game in more ways than one.



## Better performance

You'll push your business to higher performance, better quality, greater sustainability and increased productivity through improved management processes. With streamlined procedures and continual improvement, you can power your business forward and achieve multiple business goals.



## Competitive advantage

Showcasing your commitment to excellence in multiple areas will get your business standing out for all the right reasons. So, if you're looking to win more business, an IMS could give your business the edge when it comes to tendering.



## Time savings

Achieving multiple ISOs in one go means you can save time and hit the ground running - start reaping the rewards of greater efficiency more quickly! Plus, with your team collaborating you're optimising your resources right from the start.



## Growth on multiple fronts

Using multiple Standards to support your company's growth, you can coordinate your efforts to drive continual improvement across a range of areas.



## Streamlined management

An IMS provides a holistic view of your organisation so you can take advantage of aligned objectives and processes - tackling them at the same time for maximum efficiency. It also makes it easier to identify and manage risk across different areas.



## Cost savings

Shared tasks and processes don't just help you streamline operations, they can help you reduce costs too! And with just one audit and one management review, you can save money as well as time.

## Atlas – your one-stop hub

Our cloud-based hub Atlas simplifies your integrated management system further. It's your one-stop management hub, available 24/7 and packed full of all the tools you need to achieve and maintain ISO compliance. From handy guides and videos to time-saving templates, Atlas is designed to support you at every step!



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Whether you're keen to experience the power of integration or unsure about the best fit for your business, let's chat! We'll discuss whether an integrated system aligns with your unique structure, leadership roles, and overall goals.

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