

Conversion Arrangement for QSPSC:2014

A new version of Quality Scheme for the Production and Supply of Concrete (QSPSC) was officially released on 21 November 2014. QSPCS:2014 supersedes QSPCS: 2009. The new version of the QSPSC has taken into considerations of the changes in the Construction Standard CS3 published in 2013 which will formally be applied to all public work project tenders after 1 January 2015.

There will be an one year transition period for the organizations certified to QSPSC:2009 to convert to QSPSC:2014 starting from 1 February 2015. All certification audits, surveillance visits and recertification audits shall be conducted according to QSPSC:2014 after 1 February 2015. For existing certified organizations, the conversion audits will be arranged during the HKQAA routine surveillance or recertification audit. The first visit after 1 February 2015 to all of the certified organizations will automatically become conversion audit. No additional manday is required if the conversion audit is arranged during surveillance or recertification audit.

Discrepancies against the newly revised requirements in QSPSC:2014 will be raised as area for improvements during the transition period. Clients are not required to submit Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to close out the findings. However, discrepancies on the organization system's setting or implementation against the other requirements in QSPCS:2014 standard may be raised as nonconformities (NCs). As there are no significant substantive changes to QSPCS:2014 clauses, if there are NCs raised, it may affect the current QSPCS:2009 certificates. As per usual practices, clients are expected to submit CAP in order to close NCs and then proceed the issuance of the QSPCS:2014 certificate. After the transition period, NCs shall be raised for organizations which still failed to comply with the revised requirements.

A 'Frequently Asked Questions - For the Conversion to QSPSC:2014' is also posted in our web site for your reference.

Should you have any further inquiry, please free feel to contact us.