



FSSC 24000

SOCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

WHAT IS FSSC 24000?

FSSC 24000 helps your manufacturing and processing sector organization adopt a management system approach that drives continuous improvement to meet social sustainability and performance requirements.

The initiative aligns with ISO's management system approach to help structure, focus and drive continuous improvement in your organization, creating high-impact business systems. It also aligns with ISO's Harmonized Structure that facilitates integration with other ISO management systems (modular IMS framework). If you have existing management systems, such as FSSC 22000 (food safety) and ISO 9001 (quality management), you can integrate the same approach to achieve social objectives.

WHY IS FSSC 24000 IMPORTANT?

Globally, human rights issues are increasing rather than decreasing.

FSSC 24000 helps your organization improve workplace health and safety and business ethics, apply due diligence in supply chains, protect your brand, drive business impact and contribute to numerous UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The scheme incorporates the internationally recognized, independent PAS 24000 (specification for social management systems) standard, which includes social performance requirements. PAS 24000 and FSSC 24000 documents are free to download from the [FSSC website](#).

WHAT WE OFFER

As a qualified FSSC 24000 auditing partner, we provide extensive experience in the initiative's requirements. We employ a dedicated team to ensure consistent auditing across the world.

With decades of experience in management systems and social audit services, including FSSC 22000 and ISO 9001, as well as actively participating in PAS 24000's consultation process, we are perfectly placed to support you every step of the way.

We are also a founding and full member of the leading industry association, the Association of Professional Social Compliance Auditors (APSCA). We have a global network of more than 800 experienced APSCA-enrolled auditors in over 80 countries, available to support your FSSC 24000 needs.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Any organization that manufactures or processes items like consumer goods, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, plastics, paper products, construction materials, machinery and electronics. This includes service provision across the consumer goods industry and associated supply base.

KEY BENEFITS

Certification follows successful completion of an audit and enables you to:

- Effectively address human rights and critical social issues
- Implement due diligence in your supply chain management
- Adopt a robust social management system for ongoing improvement
- Identify and manage social risks and opportunities
- Demonstrate compliance with the specified requirements
- Contribute meaningfully to the UN SDGs

A THREE-YEAR CERTIFICATION CYCLE

- Start: initial audit (stage 1-2)
- Year 1: first surveillance audit. The first surveillance audit must be completed within 12 months of stage 2's certification decision date
- Year 2: second surveillance audit
- Year 3: recertification audit. The certification has to be reissued before the end of the three-year certification cycle

For more information on our FSSC 24000 services, email iosales@sgs.com

ABOUT SGS

We are SGS – the world's leading testing, inspection and certification company. We are recognized as the global benchmark for sustainability, quality and integrity.