

Bureau Veritas ISO 37001 ANTI-BRIBERY

MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS CERTIFICATION

Demonstrate your organization's integrity and mitigate your exposure to the risks of bribery...

The issue of corruption has been identified as a cross cutting and corrosive issue that undermines public trust in local and national governments, business and civil society institutions. Along with national anti-bribery laws, international pressure in the form of UN and OECD anti-bribery conventions, have seen 41 countries establish laws forbidding the bribery of foreign officials, most notably the US's Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the UK's Bribery Act, whose reach has impacted multinational companies operating within and beyond those countries.

It is not just the threat of financial penalties for companies whose representatives are found to have engaged in giving or receiving bribes, but the risk of directors' personal criminal or civil liability, that is driving the move to formalize management systems to assure compliance. Specifically, the publication of ISO 37001 Anti-Bribery Management Systems (ABMS) in late 2016, enables organizations to establish procedures identifying and prioritizing the treatment of bribery risks and to train up and maintain the competence of business associates working for and on behalf of the company to do business with integrity.

ISO 37001's structured approach to identifying, evaluating, analyzing and mitigating bribery risks with appropriate communication, training and procedures brings the standardized model used by other management systems to this important field of enterprise risk.

Who is ISO 37001 for?

An ISO 37001 ABMS can be applied to all sizes and types of organizations, whether they be companies, public sector bodies or in the voluntary sector. It can be integrated into an existing compliance programme, and aligns with ISO 19600's guidance on compliance management systems and other High Level Structure (HLS) based ISO management systems standards to make this integration simpler. It can also be set up as a standalone management system.

Multinational organizations may be exposed to multiple legal and cultural jurisdictions where laws and perceptions about bribery differ greatly. If a company is listed on stock exchanges, for example, in the USA or UK those countries' laws on anti-bribery bind them to treat bribery with the same seriousness in all their country operations. ISO 37001 enables international standardization of your procedures and training.





Why implement ISO 37001?

By formalizing the training and procedures that establish integrity, ISO 37001 empowers businesses to:

- Understand the bribery risk hotspots and put in place appropriately stringent controls where they are needed
- Reduce risk of prosecution for non-compliance with local or international anti-bribery laws
- Show ethical leadership which engages employees and business associates in being part of the solution to corruption
- Rebuild public, customer, stakeholder and internal trust after a bribery incident has occurred

Why certify to ISO 37001?

- Prove that your organization has implemented “reasonable and proportionate” measures designed to prevent bribery and comply with the law
- Enhance your organization’s reputation and avoid the costs and reputational risks associated with bribery
- Provide assurance of your organization’s integrity to owners, directors, employees, regulators and business associates
- Gain access to new business opportunities business associates
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How do I certify to ISO 37001?

The Bureau Veritas approach to certification has been established over 30 years. Participation in the United Kingdom Accreditation Service’s (UKAS) ISO 37001 global accreditation pilot assures the high quality of these services continues with ABMS certification.

- Definition of certification scope
- Pre-audit (optional): gap analysis and diagnosis of your current position against standard

- Certification audit performed in 2 stages:

Stage 1 - readiness review performed to verify that the organization is ready for certification

Stage 2 evaluation of implementation, including the effectiveness, of the management system of the organization

- A certificate valid for 3 years is issued upon satisfactory results of stage 2 audit
- Surveillance audits to verify that the management system continues to fulfil the requirements of the standard and monitor the continual improvement
- Re-certification after 3 years to confirm the continued conformance and effectiveness of the management system as a whole

Why choose Bureau Veritas certification?

Network

6,500 skilled auditors operating in more than 100 countries offer a unique combination of international and local expertise providing consistent services wherever our clients are.

Expertise

Our auditors have extensive knowledge of specific industry sectors, local regulations, markets and language that enables them to provide solutions adapted to your needs.

Recognition

Bureau Veritas Certification is recognized by more than 40 national and international accreditation bodies across the world.

Mark of global recognition

The Bureau Veritas Certification mark is a globally recognized symbol of your organization’s ongoing commitment to excellence, sustainability and reliability.

Experienced Instructors

Our training courses are delivered by lead auditors with years of industry experience and insight, who have been trained in interpersonal communication, intercultural issues and adult learning concepts.

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