

ISO 9001 Quality Management System (QMS)

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In brief

ISO 9001 is the world's most widely used quality management system standard. It helps organisations deliver consistently and improve continually. The 2026 edition starts a transition period expected to last about three years. ICFC supports implementation, transition, audits and training.

What it is

ISO 9001 sets requirements for a quality management system that consistently meets customer and regulatory needs. The sixth edition, ISO 9001:2026, was scheduled for publication in September 2026; a transition period of about three years is expected, to be confirmed by the IAF.

Who it is for

Any organisation that wants consistent delivery, tender eligibility or a structured base for other ISO standards.

ISO 9001:2026 transition

Existing ISO 9001:2015 certificates stay valid during the transition period. We offer gap reviews against the 2026 edition so you can plan the change at your next audit.

How ICFC helps

Service	What we offer
Audit	Third-party audits: Third-party certification audits for ISO 9001 are delivered by our auditors on behalf of accredited certification bodies. The certificate is issued by the certification body, not by ICFC. Second-party audits: Supplier and partner audits against ISO 9001 on behalf of your organisation, with clear findings you can act on. Internal audits: First-party internal audits of your quality management system by experienced auditors, combinable with other standards in one integrated audit.
Consulting	Funding: We explain which scheme, if any, applies and what it requires before you commit. Non-grant: A fixed-scope engagement: gap assessment, documentation, implementation coaching, internal audit and management review, and support through the formal audit or assessment. How we work: Practical, proportionate systems that your staff can run after we leave.
Training	Classroom: Public and in-house classroom courses on ISO 9001: awareness, implementation and internal auditor levels. Online LMS: Self-paced and live-online courses on the ICFC Digital LMS, with progress tracking and certificates of completion. Funding: Funding depends on each course's approval status, shown on the course page in the LMS.

Funding

Not on the EDGE Standards list. We did not find this standard on the EDGE Standards list when we checked. Ask us about non-grant options or other schemes that may apply.

Impartiality

Impartiality comes first. Every engagement begins with a conflict-of-interest check. We keep consulting and auditing roles separate, and our auditors never audit, on behalf of a certification body, an organisation that ICFC has consulted on the same scope within the period set by that body.

Frequently asked questions

Q. Do we need to move to ISO 9001:2026 now?

A. Not immediately. Plan the change within the transition period and align it with a surveillance or recertification audit.

Q. Is ISO 9001 covered by EDGE?

A. We did not find ISO 9001 on the EDGE Standards list when we checked. Ask us about other options.

Q. How long does implementation take?

A. It depends on your size and existing practices. We confirm a realistic timeline in our proposal after a short gap review.

Q. Can ISO 9001 be combined with ISO 14001 and ISO 45001?

A. Yes. Our auditors are experienced in integrated management system audits.

Related services

- ISO 14001 Environmental Management System (EMS)
- ISO 45001 Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS)
- ISO 22301 Business Continuity Management System (BCMS)
- ISO 21001 Management systems for educational organisations (EOMS)

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