



Swiss Association
for Quality and Management
Systems (SQS)

IATF 16949:2016

Certification of suppliers in the automotive sector

Incentive

The Automotive QMS Standard, also IATF 16949:2016, together with the automotive customer specific requirements, defines the basic quality management system requirements for the automotive industry. The right certification credentials are essential for companies wishing to be included in the supply chain of vehicle manufacturers. As such, IATF 16949:2016 opens the doors to the world's largest production industry.

Outcome

IATF 16949:2016 forms the basis for top-level process know-how and excellence («zero defects principle»). Due fulfilment of the standard confirms that the required and validated process control measures have been implemented and is therefore mandatory to become an approved supplier.

Target groups

Suppliers to the automotive industry at all stages along the supply chain.

Validity

3 years – there is an annual audit to ensure that standards are being maintained and a recertification audit after 3 years.





Recognition

The SQS certification document of conformity with IATF 16949:2016 has international validity and is recognised worldwide through the IQNET membership.

Combinations

IATF 16949:2016 can be combined with ISO 14001 (environmental management) and ISO 45001:2018 (Occupational Health and Safety Management).

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Further general information can be obtained from our office in Zollikofen.

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