



AuditOne Initiative

Quality standards for the consumer goods industry

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The Foundation for Strategic Sourcing (F4SS) approved DQS as a certification body for the AuditOne Initiative.

DQS Inc. is able to conduct audits within the AuditOne framework, a recently launched industry initiative to harmonize quality audits within the consumer goods industry.

The AuditOne Initiative aims to create a set of quality standards and audit processes for the consumer goods industry, reducing the supply chain audit burden. With leading companies and brands backing the initiative, AuditOne is bound to become a crucial instrument within the FMCG supply chain.

AuditOne: One Quality Audit for Multiple Customers

The idea behind AuditOne is that suppliers can demonstrate meeting quality requirements of several clients with only one annual audit. This reduces the auditing costs and alleviates conformance burdens for suppliers, who had to conform with the diverging quality requirements of individual customers.

Covered within the scope of AuditOne are suppliers of cosmetic ingredients, vitamins, nutritional, raw materials and ingredients for home and laundry products, active pharmaceutical ingredients and excipients, and suppliers of primary and secondary packaging materials for consumer goods.

The AuditOne Initiative does not set new requirements but relies on existing standards to create a unified framework. Depending on the scope of their activities, suppliers are audited against internationally recognized standards such as EFfCI, ISO 15378, ICH Q7 + EMEA 4:0/0, IPEC/PQC, ISO 22716, and the BRC Packaging Standard.

DQS: Your Partner for AuditOne

DQS is able to provide all standards that are part of the AuditOne Initiative, without any geographical restrictions. With a network of highly qualified auditors around the globe, DQS can provide value-adding audits to all participating suppliers.

Quick Facts about DQS Inc.:

- Formed with a partnership between Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) and DQS (German Registrar of Management Systems). DQS was founded by DGQ (German Society of Quality) and DIN (German Institute of standardization).
- Global presence: 80 offices in 60 countries
- Best in class auditors: over 2,500 competent auditors worldwide
- Large customer base: over 59,000 certifications