



PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor

Master the Audit of Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS) based on ISO 45001

Why should you attend?

ISO 45001 is the first global occupational health and safety management system standard that replaces OHSAS 18001. The PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor training course helps in developing the necessary skillset to perform occupational health and safety management system (OH&S MS) audits by applying widely recognized audit principles, procedures, and methods.

This training course has been developed to reflect the importance of an effective audit. It strengthens your knowledge and skills to plan and carry out an OH&S MS audit in compliance with the guidelines for auditing management systems provided in ISO 19011 and the certification process described in ISO/IEC 17021-1.

The exercises provided for this training course are designed to help you practice the most important aspects of an OH&S MS audit: ISO 45001 requirements, auditing principles, tools and techniques used to obtain evidence, leading a team of auditors, conducting interviews with auditees, reviewing documented information, drafting nonconformity reports, and preparing the final audit report.

The successful completion of the training course is followed by an exam. If you pass the exam, you can apply for the “PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor” credential. An [IAS certified](#) and internationally recognized “PECB ISO 45001 Lead Auditor” certificate validates your professional capabilities and demonstrates your ability to audit an OH&S MS based on ISO 45001.



Who should attend?

- Auditors interested in performing and leading OH&S MS certification audits
- Managers or consultants interested in advancing their knowledge of the OH&S MS audit process
- Internal auditors and individuals responsible for maintaining conformity to the requirements of ISO 45001
- Technical experts interested in preparing for an OH&S MS audit
- Expert advisors in occupational health and safety management

Course agenda

Duration: 5 days

Day 1 | Introduction to OH&S MS and ISO 45001

- Training course objectives and structure
- Standards and regulatory frameworks
- Certification process
- Fundamental concepts and principles of OH&S
- ISO 45001 requirements for an OH&S MS – Clauses 4 to 10

Day 2 | Audit principles and the preparation for and initiation of an audit

- Fundamental audit concepts and principles
- The impacts of trends and technology in auditing
- Evidence-based auditing
- Risk-based auditing
- Initiation of the audit process
- Stage 1 audit

Day 3 | On-site audit activities

- Preparing for stage 2 audit
- Stage 2 audit
- Communication during the audit
- Audit procedures
- Creating audit test plans

Day 4 | Closing of the audit

- Drafting audit findings and nonconformity reports
- Audit documentation and quality review
- Closing of the audit
- Evaluation of action plans by the auditor
- Beyond the initial audit
- Managing an internal audit program
- Closing of the training course



Learning objectives

By the end of this training course, the participants will be able to:

- Explain the fundamental concepts and principles of an occupational health and safety management system (OH&S MS) based on ISO 45001
- Interpret the ISO 45001 requirements for an OH&S MS from the perspective of an auditor
- Evaluate the OH&S MS conformity to ISO 45001 requirements, in accordance with the fundamental audit concepts and principles
- Plan, conduct, and close an ISO 45001 compliance audit, in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021-1 requirements, ISO 19011 guidelines, and other best practices of auditing
- Manage an ISO 45001 audit program

Examination

Duration: 3 hours

The PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor exam fully meets the requirements of the PECB Examination and Certification Program (ECP). It covers the following competency domains:

- Domain 1** | Fundamental principles and concepts of an occupational health and safety management system
- Domain 2** | ISO 45001 requirements for an OH&S MS – Clauses 4 to 10
- Domain 3** | Fundamental audit concepts and principles
- Domain 4** | Preparing for an ISO 45001 audit
- Domain 5** | Conducting an ISO 45001 audit
- Domain 6** | Closing an ISO 45001 audit
- Domain 7** | Managing an ISO 45001 audit program

For specific information about exam type, languages available, and other details, please visit the [List of PECB Exams](#) and the [Examination Rules and Policies](#).



Certification

Upon the successful completion of the exam, you can apply for one of the credentials shown in the table below. You will receive a certificate once you fulfill all the requirements related to the selected credential.

For more information about the ISO 45001 certifications and the PECB certification process, please refer to the [Certification Rules and Policies](#).

Credential	Exam	Professional experience	Audit/assessment experience	Other requirements
PECB Certified ISO 45001 Provisional Auditor	PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor exam or equivalent	None	None	Signing the PECB Code of Ethics
PECB Certified ISO 45001 Auditor	PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor exam or equivalent	Two years: One year in OH&S management	Audit activities: a total of 200 hours	Signing the PECB Code of Ethics
PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor	PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor exam or equivalent	Five years: Two years in OH&S management	Audit activities: a total of 300 hours	Signing the PECB Code of Ethics
PECB Certified ISO 45001 Senior Lead Auditor	PECB Certified ISO 45001 Lead Auditor exam or equivalent	Ten years: Seven years in OH&S management	Audit activities: a total of 1,000 hours	Signing the PECB Code of Ethics

Note: PECB certified individuals who possess the Lead Implementer and Lead Auditor credentials are qualified for the respective **PECB Master credential**, given they have taken four additional Foundation exams which are related to this scheme. For more detailed information about the Foundation exams and the overall Master requirements, please go to the following link: <https://pecb.com/en/master-credentials>.

General information

- Certification and examination fees are included in the price of the training course.
- PECB will provide over 450 pages of instructional materials containing explanations, guidance, and practical examples.
- A participation certificate of 31 CPD (Continuing Professional Development) credits will be issued.
- In case of exam failure, you can retake the exam within 12 months free of charge.