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This British Standard is the UK implementation of OHSAS 18002:2007.

BS OHSAS 18002 will be maintained in line with any changes to OHSAS 18002, subject to the approval of BSI Technical Committee HS/1, Occupational health and safety management, which collated the UK comments on the second Working Draft of OHSAS 18002 and put forward its preferred position.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

Relationship with other documents

BS OHSAS 18002 is one of three related documents on occupational health and safety management systems published by the BSI since June 2007. The first was BS OHSAS 18001:2007, which specifies what an organization needs to have in place to meet the criteria for occupational health and safety management.

BS OHSAS 18002:2008 is a guidance standard that identifies what an organization should consider when implementing and operating a system that meets the requirements of BS OHSAS 18001. It is a supportive guidance document to BS OHSAS 18001:2007 and does not impose any additional requirements.

BS 18004:2008, *Guide to achieving effective occupational health and safety performance*, gives good practice guidance on successful health and safety management and builds on the guidance given in HSG 65¹⁾. Structured around the OHSAS 18001 framework, it provides guidance in line with developments in OHS management within the UK and provides extensive annexes intended to support those organizations that wish to deliver good health and safety performance.

Contractual and legal considerations

In the UK, and Europe generally, there are various legal requirements for occupational health and safety that apply to the potentially harmful effects of work activities and which extend beyond the workplace to those who might be affected by workplace activities (see Note to 3.12 on the definition of occupational health and safety). It is essential for the organization to take the matters addressed by these legal requirements into account in establishing, implementing and maintaining its OH&S management system – and in particular when identifying hazards, assessing risks and determining controls (see 4.3.1 and 4.3.2). This standard ought therefore to be read in conjunction with BS 18004 and HSG 65, which give good practice guidance on complying with such legal requirements in the UK.

This publication does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a contract. User are responsible for its correct application.

Compliance with a British Standard cannot confer immunity from legal obligation.

¹⁾ HSG 65, *Successful health and safety management*.