

IRCA & IEMA ISO 14001:2015 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

"Become a Certified Environmental Lead Auditor and Champion Sustainable Compliance"

Schedule

| Date | Venue | Fees (Face-to-Face) |
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| 21 - 25 Jun 2026 | Riyadh - KSA | USD 3495 per delegate |
| 11 - 15 Oct 2026 | Riyadh - KSA | USD 3495 per delegate |

► **Available delivery methods:** Face-to-Face & Online Training

Introduction

ISO 14001:2015 is the internationally recognized standard for Environmental Management Systems (EMS), guiding organizations to control their environmental impact, ensure regulatory compliance, and drive sustainable performance. This IRCA and IEMA-accredited course is designed to prepare professionals to lead EMS audits aligned with ISO 14001:2015 and ISO 19011 guidelines.

Delivered in both English and Arabic, this intensive program combines theoretical instruction with practical auditing exercises. Participants will gain the skills to evaluate an EMS's effectiveness, identify risks and opportunities, and ensure continual environmental improvement across operations.

Objectives

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

- Interpret ISO 14001:2015 requirements and EMS principles
- Plan, lead, and report environmental audits as per ISO 19011 and ISO/IEC 17021-1
- Assess compliance with environmental legislation and organizational goals
- Identify environmental risks, aspects, and impacts
- Support organizations in achieving sustainability and regulatory goals through effective auditing

Why Attend

- Obtain an IRCA & IEMA-accredited ISO 14001:2015 Lead Auditor certificate
- Gain a solid foundation in EMS structure, auditing principles, and environmental compliance
- Learn to conduct internal, second-party, and third-party audits confidently
- Enhance your professional value in environmental and sustainability roles
- Support your organization in achieving ISO 14001 certification and beyond

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- EMS coordinators, auditors, and HSE professionals
- Environmental consultants and compliance managers
- Quality, safety, and sustainability officers involved in EMS auditing
- Anyone seeking certification as an ISO 14001 Lead Auditor under IRCA/IEMA standards

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Mastery of ISO 14001:2015 structure, clauses, and principles
- Lead auditor competencies including planning, execution, and reporting
- Risk-based thinking and aspect-impact analysis
- Objective evidence collection and stakeholder communication
- Nonconformance identification and corrective action evaluation

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Readiness for ISO 14001 certification or surveillance audits
- Improved environmental compliance and impact control
- Strengthened internal audit capabilities and risk management
- Enhanced environmental performance monitoring and continual improvement
- Reinforced commitment to sustainability and ESG standards

Instructional Methodology

The course follows a blended learning approach combining theory with practice:

- Strategy Briefings - Comprehensive overview of ISO 14001 and audit guidelines
- Case Studies - Global EMS implementations and audit challenges
- Workshops - Real-world auditing simulations, planning, and findings documentation
- Peer Exchange - Role plays, feedback sessions, and audit debriefs
- Tools - Templates for audit checklists, nonconformance reports, and corrective action tracking

Course Outline

DETAILED 5-DAY COURSE OUTLINE

Training Hours: 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM **Daily Format:** 3–4 Learning Modules | Coffee breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 – 02:00

Day 1: EMS Concepts and ISO 14001:2015 Requirements

- Module 1: Introduction to EMS and ISO 14001:2015 (07:30 – 09:30) • Evolution and scope of ISO 14001 • Key principles of EMS and Annex SL structure
- Module 2: EMS Context and Leadership (09:45 – 11:15) • Understanding organizational context and interested parties • Roles of leadership and environmental policy formulation
- Module 3: Environmental Planning and Risk Management (11:30 – 01:00) • Identification of aspects, impacts, risks, and opportunities • Environmental objectives and legal compliance planning
- Module 4: Workshop – Aspect & Impact Analysis (02:00 – 03:30) • Teams conduct aspect-impact evaluations and risk mapping

Day 2: Operational Control, Monitoring, and Documentation

- Module 1: Operational Planning and Emergency Preparedness (07:30 – 09:30) • Controls for significant environmental aspects • Readiness for emergency situations and environmental incidents
- Module 2: EMS Documentation and Support (09:45 – 11:15) • Documented information requirements • Communication and competence management
- Module 3: Performance Evaluation (11:30 – 01:00) • Monitoring, measurement, and evaluation • Compliance obligations and internal audit framework
- Module 4: Workshop – Audit Planning (02:00 – 03:30) • Creating an audit plan and checklist based on EMS scope

Day 3: ISO 19011 Auditing Principles and Practices

- Module 1: Auditing Process and Auditor Roles (07:30 – 09:30) • Principles of auditing and auditor attributes • Types of audits and audit program management
- Module 2: Conducting an Audit (09:45 – 11:15) • Audit planning, opening meetings, and data collection • Interview techniques and evidence gathering
- Module 3: Identifying Findings and Nonconformities (11:30 – 01:00) • Writing clear and objective findings • Grading and categorizing nonconformances
- Module 4: Workshop – Mock Audit Interviews (02:00 – 03:30) • Simulated EMS audit interviews and feedback

Day 4: Audit Reporting, Corrective Action & Leadership

- Module 1: Closing the Audit (07:30 – 09:30) • Conducting closing meetings and presenting findings • Writing effective and actionable audit reports
- Module 2: Follow-Up and Corrective Action (09:45 – 11:15) • Evaluating root causes and implementing corrective actions • Ensuring continual improvement of EMS processes
- Module 3: Leadership and Communication in Auditing (11:30 – 01:00) • Managing audit teams and auditor competence • Stakeholder engagement and environmental ethics
- Module 4: Group Review – Best Practices & Lessons Learned (02:00 – 03:30) • Peer exchange and audit reflection

Day 5: Exam Preparation and Certification

- Module 1: Certification Requirements and IRCA/IEMA Overview (07:30 – 09:30) • Auditor certification paths and code of conduct • Summary of ISO 14001 clause linkage
- Module 2: Final Revision and Mock Questions (09:45 – 11:15) • Exam tips and case study discussion • Knowledge check exercises
- Module 3: Formal IRCA/IEMA Examination (11:30 – 03:30) • Written exam based on IRCA/IEMA accreditation standards

Certification

Participants will receive an IRCA and IEMA-Accredited Certificate of Completion in ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management Systems, confirming their qualification to conduct and lead EMS audits in accordance with global standards and best practices.

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