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The MASE/UIC common system is an initiative set up by French companies, the aim of which is to offer the simplest and most effective improvement process possible, regardless of business or industrial sector. Its main purpose is to assist members to:

- improve Health and Safety in the workplace and in the Environment (HSE) through a management system appropriate to the company,
- organise themselves better and communicate better, while improving employee working conditions,
- introduce a common language enabling company-wide improvement,
- manage risk resulting from joint activity (User Company - Supplier Companies) particularly for sites with manufacturing processes.

The Company Safety Improvement Manual (MASE) contains a description of the certification process, a reference guide, advice and a glossary.

The reference guide is a set of requirements allowing employers to structure their HSE management process into 5 distinct areas.

Member companies implement an HSE management system that ensures the best protection for their employees.

This new version of the manual is the result of a continual improvement process which also retains the original guiding principles (pragmatism, operational and regulatory control).

The purpose of the updated version is to allow better appropriation by members.

The MASE/UIC common system functions through:

- A National Strategy Committee (CSN)
- Regional and national associations (the regional format gives all members the opportunity to get involved in managing and deploying the values associated with the MASE/UIC common system.)
- Audits firms

Diagram illustrating functioning and relations between the bodies of the MASE/UIC common system.
This manual sets out the rules, advice, decision-making tools and definitions which can be used concurrently to deploy a simple and effective management system that places people at the centre of HSE risk prevention.

The manual is organised as follows:
- The certification process.
- The reference guide (requirements and assessments) covers 5 areas:
  - Commitments of company management,
  - Professional skills and qualifications,
  - Organisation of work,
  - Effectiveness of the management system,
  - Continual improvement.

Advice on:
- Analysing the existing organisation when setting up the process.
- Implementing the risk analysis.
- Choosing indicators.
- Running meetings.
- HSE audits.
- Implementing a review.
- Implementing an action plan.
- Managing temporary staff.
- Exposure measurements.
- Choosing, deploying, maintaining and managing personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Fitting out staff facilities.

Glossary
The MASE/UIC common system leads to certification and is therefore also a system of recognition. The operating procedures shown on the website are briefly detailed below.

Diagram of the stages involved in MASE/UIC common system certification

1 Certification audit

The conditions under which the audit is conducted are specified in «Inter MASE» procedure No. 19 «Certification protocol of a supplier company».

The company applying for certification contacts a third-party body approved by the National Strategy Committee (CSN) to conduct a certification audit designed to objectively assess compliance with these requirements.

The audit request is presented by the employer to the relevant MASE regional association. The employer is the natural person representing the company audited.

The certification audit will only be conducted if the company complies with the conditions stipulated by the associations (ethical rules, membership, etc.).

The initial audit is used to check that the requirements of the reference guide have been put in place and applied. The renewal audit focuses more on application of the system, its improvement, its effectiveness and its appropriation by the various players on the ground.
The audit process

2.1 Preparation of the certification audit

The certification perimeter and scope (facilities, activities) are communicated by the employer to the administrator. The latter validates the perimeter by checking that it complies with the conditions defined in the «Inter MASE» rules.

The following points are systematically specified to the administrator:
- the perimeter to be certified,
- a list of all activities in the perimeter to be certified,
- the audit period required

The employer selects one to two audit firms from the list validated by the CSN. The administrator liaises between the firm selected and the employer.

The following information is provided at the auditor’s request:
- the HSE manual,
- the employer account,
- six-monthly follow-up,
- the company organisation chart,
- any other document required to enable efficient preparation.

The working documents used by the auditor include the audit questionnaire and the report form used to brief the Steering Committee.

2.2 Execution of the certification audit

The certification audit consists of three phases:

- The opening meeting which includes the following points in particular:
  - the auditor assignment,
  - the purpose of the certification audit,
  - presentation of participants,
  - confirmation of the audit plan,
  - selection of ongoing sites, works or services to be audited,
  - etc.

- Observations are formulated through:
  - a review of the company’s document resource: examination of documents and records in the resource, the way in which they are used on a daily basis and their consistency in relation to the reference guide,
  - an audit of ongoing sites, works or services with the people implementing them: (to check the effective implementation of rules and procedures, and appropriation of the system by personnel). The audit reveals any nonconformities between the intentions of the employer and actual implementation of the HSE management system,
  - detection of nonconformities with the requirements of the reference guide.

- The closing meeting is a formal process during which the auditor shares/feeds back information to the employer:
  - a general assessment of their effectiveness,
  - strengths,
  - any nonconformities observed which are recorded in nonconformity reports (major, minor) jointly validated by the employer and the auditor,
  - guidance on improvement.
The score awarded to each question in the reference guide is defined according to three types of rating:

- **binary (B):** the score is 0 or the maximum,
- **variable (V):** the score is between 0 and the maximum,
- **double value (DV):** Warning: the registered value of the maximum is doubled only during a renewal audit.

The auditor defines the value (0 to 50) in accordance with the responses provided on the day of the audit. Neutralisation of questions and related points may be permitted by the auditor during the audit following information provided by the audited company. In this case, it must be justified to the steering committee and cannot exceed 30% of the total number of questions. Neutralisation of an entire section is not permitted. Documents remain the property of the audited company.

### Analysis of audit results and certification

#### 3.1 Audit report

The auditor presents the audit to the steering committee of the relevant MASE regional association. It adds value through the provision of additional information. Both parties debate the following quantitative and qualitative elements:

- presentation of the audit results (scoring, audit overview, nonconformity report(s), etc.)
- the analysis of indicators
- the maturity of the system

The auditor’s opinion on certification is always requested by the chair of the steering committee before the steering committee members vote. The audit report remains the property of the company audited.

#### 3.2 Certification

Following analysis of all the data provided (auditor report, six-monthly follow-up, etc.), the steering committee deliberates and gives its decision on whether or not certification has been successful. Certification is awarded for a period of 1 or 3 years.

“1 year” certification cannot be awarded more than twice consecutively.

A certificate issued by the relevant MASE regional association renders the certification official.

Two months before the certification is due to expire, the employer must send their certification renewal request to the administrator of the MASE association.

The list of certified companies can be consulted on the Internet (www.mase-asso.fr) by members using the codes provided when they joined.

The national MASE association consolidates the information provided by regional MASE associations and is responsible for managing this list.

MASE/UIC certification does not replace compliance with the legal and contractual requirements companies are subject to.

#### 3.3 Follow-up

The six-monthly follow-up includes:

- information used to establish lagging indicators (frequency rate, severity rate, etc.),
- information used to establish monitoring indicators (number of hazardous situations, talks, audits, etc.),
- significant organisational changes (buyout, merger, new activity, etc.),
- complementary information (accident root cause analysis, review, etc.).

If these documents are not submitted or their quality is substandard, this fact is taken into account in renewal audits and may lead to certification being withdrawn.

The regional MASE associations are responsible for analysing the indicators/cockpit charts submitted by employers.
3.4 Companies that are not certified or recertified

After deliberation, the steering committee may decide not to award certification (or recertification). This means that nonconformities in relation to the reference guide undermine the effectiveness or continual improvement of that company’s HSE management system.

If the employer wishes to continue with the process, the steering committee asks them to propose an action plan to correct the nonconformities observed during the audit. The employer then commits to an implementation deadline and informs the administrator on progress of the action plan.

A new certification request is submitted by the employer to the steering committee within a defined time in accordance with the «Inter MASE» documents in force.

4 Independence and integrity

All of the parties are required to adhere to the following rules:

- Chartered bodies are strictly prohibited from carrying out consultancy and certification assignments simultaneously for the same company. This means that a chartered body is not allowed to conduct a certification audit less than two years after having provided HSE consultancy services (support, dry run audit, etc.) to that company,

- Members of the MASE steering committee must withdraw from deliberations when these concern certification of their own company or subsidiaries attached to their company,

- Members of the MASE steering committee do not participate in deliberations on direct competitors in their area of business,

- Information shared during audits and steering committee meetings must remain confidential, and an undertaking to this effect is signed by auditors, administrators and the members of the steering committee,

- Employers must inform the MASE administrator of the firms providing safety consultancy services that they have used in the two years prior to the audit.

5 Member companies

MASE associations are made up of two colleges: Clients and Contractors

Membership of the «Clients college» is applied for through a company’s nearest regional association.

Companies are subject to the rights and duties corresponding to their status.

They pay an annual subscription fee set by the regional association they belong to.

They have voting rights and are eligible to sit (subject to conditions) on the bodies of the regional and national association.

5.1. Contractors college

In order to become members of the association, representatives of the contractor company present:

- the reasons for applying to join the association,

- the main characteristics of the company,

- the health, safety and environment management system in place or currently being developed in the company,

- the subcontracting activities on their site,

- short- and medium-term policies regarding common system certified contractors,

- any involvement in professional bodies, associations or other, particularly those involved in HSE issues.
Following validation of membership by the steering committee, the company becomes an «active member» of the MASE association. Membership becomes official on signature of the charter/undertaking which requires members to:

- Comply with the reference guide and functioning of the association,
- Promote the association and the common system procedure, its concepts and recommendations both in their own organisation and to partners,
- Accept dialogue with their partners in order to improve safety procedures and results,
- Lead by example and ensure that their HSE management system remains effective,
- Provide twice-yearly updates to the association on their safety indicators and any changes made to their management system.

This undertaking is signed by the president of the association and director of the user company. If these obligations are not complied with, the charter may be removed by the association’s board of directors.

5.2. Contractors college

Any employer wishing to obtain MASE/UIC common system certification for their company must fill out the application questionnaire of the regional association and send it to the administrator together with payment of the association’s membership fees.

In order for employers to assess the level of their management system, a tool for determining conformity with essential requirements is provided in Annex 1.

Once an application has been accepted by the regional MASE association, the employer visits the administrator for the launch meeting. During this meeting, the administrator presents the MASE/UIC common system and MASE regional association (operating rules, certification protocol, etc.) to the employer together with the reference guide and its five sections.

On completion of this meeting, the company is awarded «committed company» status for a maximum period of 18 months, after which they must make a decision on whether to proceed with the certification audit. The employer can request a certificate from the administrator.

An audit firm or an auditor cannot perform more than two consecutive audits in the same company.

Once the audit has been performed, the auditor presents the audit to the steering committee of the relevant regional MASE association, which then makes its certification decision (0, 1 or 3 years).

If a contractor loses its certification, it will provide the administrator with a corrective action plan in order to comply with the nonconformities identified during the audit. It will remain on the list of members as a «committed» supplier company. It will be given a maximum of 12 months and a deferral period of 6 months before the audit must be performed.

One-year MASE/UIC common system certification cannot be issued more than twice consecutively.

The employer must send their safety indicators for the certified perimeter to the administrator every six months and within the specified time.

The administrator informs the employer and the steering committee in the event of anomalies or if a correctly documented six-monthly follow-up is not provided.

Any significant changes (change of corporate name, merger, takeover or other) must be made known to the system administrator within one month.

The employer must submit their renewal audit request sufficiently early prior to expiry of their certificate in order to ensure continuity of certification. They will contact the regional system administrator to organise the renewal audit de renouvellement.
Commitments of company management

Objective:
Define how the company’s HSE management is organised.

1.1 Employer commitments

For moral, legal and economic reasons, the employer is obliged to protect the following in all aspects of their business:
- The safety, and physical and moral health of their employees,
- The environment.

To do so, they define their commitments to their employees and the environment. These are embodied in their policy, targets, organisation, HSE indicators, planning, documentation, information and activity mechanisms and the resources necessary for their implementation.

Their commitments are defined largely in relation to the risk assessment of their business activities and lessons learned (cf. section 4). They are an expression of the employer’s engagement with HSE issues.

The employer’s commitments as set out in their policy and targets are presented and explained to all of the company’s employees (permanent staff, temporary staff, etc.) and subcontractors.

The employer must continuously endeavour to ensure that all employees support the company’s HSE work.

Through their actions, the employer demonstrates their commitment to continuously improving the HSE performance of the company.

1.2 Health Safety Environment policy

The commitments made by the employer are recorded in an HSE policy appropriate to the size and nature of the company’s activities.

It sets out in a clear way understandable to all, the essential principles that everyone must observe to continually improve safety and protect the health of personnel and the environment.

These essential principles can be more specifically described as the following:
- identify risks,
- prevent the risks identified,
- use only trained and, if necessary, accredited employees,
- restrict the use of temporary staff so as not to exceed supervisory capacities,
- only use subcontracting companies with an equivalent HSE management level,
- keep up to date with regulations, apply them, and check their application,
- implement this reference guide.

The policy must be adapted to HSE changes in the company and, as a result, is periodically reviewed. It is dated and signed by the employer.

A method of disseminating/promoting it is decided on by the employer appropriate to the structure and organisation of the company.

The policy is one of the drivers of HSE culture.
### Assessment

#### Commitments of company management

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**Does the policy cover the following areas:**

| 12.5 | Safety? | 5 B |
| 12.6 | Health? | 5 B |
| 12.7 | Environment? | 5 B |
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1.3 HSE targets

The employer defines targets consistent with their policy which contribute to continual improvement of the company’s HSE performance.

The targets set are appropriate to the HSE policy defined and implemented. Each of the targets is relevant (to the company, its commitments, policy, results, etc.), measurable, attainable and time-bound. The targets are defined by the employer and assigned in such a way as to allow the involvement of every employee in improving the company’s HSE performance.

The targets thus identified are attainable provided that the resources (human, material and organisational) necessary for their implementation have been defined. In particular, they must allow the performance of audits/on-site inspections to ensure that the process of continually improving the management system is alive and well.

By way of example, these are targets that can be monitored in the context of a particular problem:

- reduce eye injuries by X%,
- replace Y% of hazardous chemical agents (HCA),
- train 2% of personnel in eco-driving.
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**Are the targets:**

| 1.3.4 | • Relevant ? | 25 V |
| 1.3.5 | • Measurable ? | 25 V |
| 1.3.6 | • Attainable ? | 25 V |
| 1.3.7 | • Time-bound ? | 25 V |
| 1.3.8 | Are the targets assigned to the company’s employees ? | 25 V |
1.4 Organisation

The employer defines and puts in place the human resources, material resources and mechanisms necessary for their organisation to attain its targets (internal and contractual).

The employer informs each employee of their HSE assignments, responsibilities and authority (definition of role, job description, assignment description, individual review, delegation of power, etc.).

Internal regulations, if they exist (mandatory if workforce ≥ 20 people), can be used in particular to formalise the basic rules that everyone must comply with.

To ensure its effectiveness, organisation of the HSE system must take account of at least the following:

- the regulatory requirements applicable (in particular the risk assessment and action plan (DUER in France), safe job procedures such as prevention plan (PDP in France), etc.),
- feedback from in particular individual reviews, challenges, suggestion boxes, regulatory or insurer inspection reports, audits/inspections, HSE meetings, anomalies, positive points, hazardous situations, particular difficulties, hazards, etc.,
- consultations with company employees.

The employer puts a mechanism in place to conduct mandatory regulatory inspections (internal or external on buildings, vehicles, machinery, work equipment, collective protective equipment (CPE), personal protective equipment (PPE), etc.), and to monitor and validate the elimination of nonconformities observed.

For example:
- technical inspections (vehicles, electricity, fire, etc.),
- lifting equipment,
- inspection of work atmospheres (occupational TLV),
- inspection of waste (liquid, solid, gaseous),
- asbestos survey (DTA in France),
- Etc.

A coordinating organisation is set up to adapt and regularly monitor the tools of the management system (indicators, results analysis, planning, plan monitoring and corrective actions, documentation management, annual or multi-year plan, etc.).

The members of the HSE coordinating organisation have the expertise (HSE, HR, operational, financial, etc.) and the decision-making powers (management, delegatee, etc.) to validate, modify and adjust the action plan(s).

The employer is free to choose the composition of this organisation (one to several people). It can take the form of a senior management meeting, HSE committee or other type of meeting.

The employer decides how often this organisation meets and its frequency must allow the progress of action plan(s) to be monitored.

This frequency is decisive for continual improvement and cannot be less than once a year. It must be appropriate to the maturity of the system and any operational risks present (departure of a strategic employee, moving premises, takeover, etc.).
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1.5 HSE indicators

Indicators, defined in correlation with HSE targets, give the employer an overview of progress made on the actions undertaken to attain short-, medium- and long-term targets.

Several types of indicator are necessary for optimum coordination of the management system:

- result indicators are used to measure the impact of actions undertaken: the numbers of hazardous situations, near misses, accidents and occupational diseases (claimed and recognised), rates of frequency, severity, absenteeism, of conformity with waste monitoring, regulatory conformity, monitoring of periodic checks, etc.

- monitoring indicators used for permanent targets having a significant impact on the life of the HSE system, such as: distribution in the number of HSE meetings examining occupational health, safety or the environment, number of inspections, monitoring of training, monitoring of measurement operations (smoke, noise, dust, HCA, etc.), etc.

For information purposes, Annex 3 provides assistance on the use of indicators.
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1.6 Planning, documentation and resources

1.6.1 Planning
In order to ensure compliance with their policy, the employer is responsible for the definition of HSE action plan(s), their planning (review, audit, HSE meetings, etc.) and implementation. The action plan is a mechanism of the management system used to monitor the completion of actions (corrective, preventive, regulatory, etc.). The employer defines the criteria which result in an action being registered in the action plan(s). They break their targets down into one or more action plans and inform each of the employees involved of their role. Action plan(s) are living tools:

- adjustable in accordance with needs,
- updated in accordance with observations made,
- modified in accordance with nonconformities observed.

They contain the following headings as a minimum requirement:

- description,
- origin,
- nominated person responsible,
- completion deadline,
- monitoring or progress status,
- Effectiveness measurement.

For information purposes, Annex 7 provides assistance on implementation of an action plan.

1.6.2 HSE documentation and resources
The HSE management system is documented so as to clearly provide the information necessary for its functioning.

The document resource can include the following in particular:

- the manual (the role of each employee, their responsibilities, how operation of the system is coordinated, etc.),
- the policy, targets and indicators (posters, cockpit charts, management committee, etc.),
- one or more plans (updating and monitoring, etc.),
- functions and responsibilities,
- procedures, instructions and records,
- the regulatory documents applicable (Risk assessment (DUER for French legislation, explosion risk protection document, asbestos survey, company record (French legislation), job descriptions for the company doctor (French legislation), individual exposure prevention records, a list of high-risk jobs, waste register, etc.),
- new regulatory texts as a result of inventorying the legislation applicable. This process identifies any nonconformities between new regulatory requirements and the existing situation in the company. The result of this inventory is used to update the action plan(s) to ensure conformity.

It is appropriate to all of the company’s activities. All of the management documents comply with the document control mechanism defined by the employer.

The resources allocated to the organisation can include the following in particular:

- an operating budget,
- an investment plan,
- a training programme.

These resources allow the people responsible to perform their tasks successfully.
### Assessment

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1.7 HSE information and activity

The employer puts the following in place for all employees:

- an information resource (information memos, organisation chart, induction handbook, posters, HSE news flashes, company magazine, videos, emails, Intranet site, etc.),
- an activity resource (HSE meetings, challenges, employee or team recognition, promotion of an innovation, idea or best practice, cups, trophies, etc.).
- the display of information required by law (contact details of the labour inspector, company doctor, rescue and emergency services, safety and fire instructions, working hours, means of accessing the DUER, etc.)

These mechanisms provide all employees with clear information on:

- the employer’s HSE commitments,
- the progress of actions,
- the attainment of targets,
- internal and external developments.

They can be used to promote:

- discussion,
- bottom-up feedback.

These resources must be used to promote HSE behaviour and culture.
For information purposes, Annex 4 provides assistance on organising HSE meetings.
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Objective: Transmit to all employees the “knowledge”, “skills” and “attitude” required to fulfil their professional duties.

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2.1 “KNOWLEDGE” (recruitment/appointment of employees on permanent, fixed-term and temporary contracts)

In order to implement their HSE policy, the employer must ensure that employees have the “knowledge”, “skills” and “attitude” required to fulfil their professional duties. To do this, the employer defines a formal recruitment/appointment mechanism that includes the following elements as a minimum requirement:

- the duties / tasks of the job,
- the skills required,
- the HSE knowledge required,
- the medical fitness required,
- the training / accreditations / authorisations necessary.

Before hiring any new employee, the employer defines the requirements necessary to fulfil their professional duties.

They organise recruitment and appointment in accordance with employee knowledge and skills. During the selection process for a given job, the HSE skills of the worker are assessed by the employer. A list of jobs exposed to particular risks is drawn up by the employer, following advice from the company doctor and the health, safety and working conditions committee or staff representatives as applicable. It is made available to the labour inspector and is communicated to relevant employment agencies (e.g. temping agency).

All hiring of personnel or requests for temporary staff are accompanied by a formal assignment statement setting out the tasks required to fulfil their professional duties and the risks they will be exposed to. Implementation of this mechanism allows the employer to ensure that the applicant is the appropriate person for the job in question. Any gaps or shortcomings detected will be dealt with by providing information, training and/or tutoring.
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2.2 “SKILLS” (Sponsor / Tutor, HSE Induction, Training/Accreditations/Authorisations)

2.2.1 Sponsor / Tutor

The employer sets up a sponsorship and/or tutoring mechanism appropriate to the company in order to support and induct new employees (on permanent, fixed-term or temporary contracts) and to perfect their skills through practice, transfer of experience and job training.

Similarly, if an employee changes job, the employer nominates a sponsor / tutor responsible for facilitating their integration and the appropriation of instructions.

The employer ensures that the sponsor / tutor has:

- good knowledge of the company,
- technical skills,
- sufficient experience to fulfil their professional duties in their environment,
- good HSE awareness,
- the teaching aptitude to transmit the correct attitude and skills.

This mechanism helps to promote motivation, team spirit and efficiency.

2.2.2 HSE induction

The employer organises and delivers comprehensible information/training to employees on risk and the measures taken to mediate against it. This contributes to the prevention of occupational risks.

HSE training is delivered when employees are hired. It is updated whenever necessary to take account of changes in techniques, manufacturing processes, work instructions, regulations and corporate organisation.

Training in a given job, or specific module, can be provided at the request of the company doctor after a period of sick leave.

The purpose of the HSE induction is to explain the role and resources of the employee within the company’s HSE management system.

It covers the following in particular:

- the precautions required to ensure their own safety, health and protection of the environment and, if applicable, those of other people working in the company,
- conditions governing movement around the company,
- work performance conditions (tasks / posts / prohibited work),
- the conduct required in the event of hazardous situations, near misses or accidents,
- fire safety response and instructions in the event of evacuation,
- the prevention measures stipulated by the employer,
- lessons learned (LL),
- the training requirements asked for by the company’s customers.

The employer formalises the content of the training applicable to each employee and ensures it is delivered.

The training variants delivered to employees are formalised and archived.

The employer informs employees on the methods for accessing the DUER, the role of the occupational health department, if applicable, and of staff representatives regarding occupational risk prevention, and the provisions contained in the internal regulations.
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2.2.3 Training / Accreditations / Authorisations

In addition to induction type training, the employer will have defined training courses covering the risks inherent to the activity, job and work environment, with a view to awarding possible accreditation or authorisation certificates, particularly if a contractual component exists.

The following are given as examples:

- operating machinery or equipment,
- electrical hazards,
- ionising radiation risk prevention,
- explosive atmospheres (ATEX),
- sling operation,
- working at height,
- asbestos-related risks,
- safety training delivered by the external site,
- level 1 safety training for operative personnel and level 2 for supervisory personnel delivered by an accredited organisation in accordance with reference guide DT 40 of the UIC or equivalent (RC1, N1, GIES1, RC2, N2, GIES2, etc.),
- operative and supervisor «Prev’Action» safety training delivered by the Organisme professionnel de prévention du bâtiment et des travaux publics (French organisation for accident prevention in the construction industry).

All employee accreditation and authorisation documents must be easily accessible. Planning is monitored and updated to ensure that employee skill levels are maintained.

The employer checks that each employee acquires the following to fulfil their professional duties:

- job-related knowledge;
- Health Safety Environment knowledge

This assessment covers both permanent and temporary staff.
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2.3 “ATTITUDE" (HSE culture/behaviour)

The HSE culture of a company means that HSE issues are an integral part of its performance at all levels and regardless of its activities.

The employer encourages development of the HSE culture in their company by involving all employees. In order to do this:

- they teach them and remind them of general HSE risk prevention principles,
- they also include their own HSE principles,
- they check that their employees are familiar with all of these principles,
- they ensure that employees apply them.

This HSE culture is fully appropriated by employees when of their own accord they apply these principles to their everyday activities.

In concrete terms, “Attitude" consists of:

- compliance with the prevention measures implemented,
- acting as a force for change in HSE issues,
- the ability to deal with a problematic situation,
- proactively informing management as appropriate,
- a willingness to take LL into account,
- knowledge of key HSE events that have taken place in their company,
- active participation in HSE meetings organised by their employer.

Using the different tools in place in their HSE management system, the employer assesses the HSE culture of their permanent and temporary staff. The following elements can assist them in this assessment:

- consistency in the system’s application regardless of the level required by clients,
- examination of quality-related issues in audits/inspections,
- feedback (in HSE meetings, hazardous situations, etc.),
- annual reviews (leadership, values, etc.),
- feeding back best practices,
- HSE results.

The more actions are dictated by conviction rather than regulations or contractual obligations, the stronger the HSE culture of the company.
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Objective: Control HSE risks when performing tasks, works or services.

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Organisation of work

The objective of organisation of work is to control risks through anticipation and the implementation of human, material and technical resources appropriate to the completion of tasks, works or services. It can be broken down into four steps:

- HSE risk analysis,
- preparation,
- completion,
- HSE lessons learned.

3.1 HSE risk analysis

The objective of risk analysis is to guarantee the best level of protection for employee health and safety. Risk analysis is required prior to the performance of tasks, works or services. It is conducted using a method defined by the employer and takes into account the nine general prevention principles, with consideration of the following information as a minimum requirement:

- the nature of the tasks, works or services,
- the work environment (site, joint activity with another company or companies, customer processes, etc.),
- the safety data sheets (SDS) of hazardous substances or preparations used,
- working patterns (shift work, day work, night work, etc.),
- human resources (management-staff ratio, transmission of instructions, medical fitness, etc.),
- the methods used (work instructions, sequence of operations, procedures, protocols, etc.),
- materials and equipment (tooling, consumables, lifting equipment, access methods, manufacturer instructions, etc.),
- utilities (electricity, compressed air, water, other fluids, etc.),
- environmental issues (waste management, disposal pathways, control of pollution risk, etc.),
- staff facilities (showers, canteens, washrooms, etc.),
- practical arrangements for managing emergency situations (alarm, evacuation, emergency services, assembly point, etc.)

This method incorporates an inspection of the workplace before any action is taken. It is recorded in a document describing the risks encountered, the prevention measures in place, the instructions to be implemented and the people who took part in the inspection.

The analysis incorporates all health, safety and environment risks for all of the company’s activities by taking into account its own risks as well as imported and exported risks (through consideration of multi-source risks) for its activities or those of the customer.

The employer will use the following competent people to conduct this risk analysis:

- company employee(s) competent in HSE matters,
- occupational health department,
- occupational risk prevention specialists,
- person competent in radiation protection,
- Dangerous Goods Safety Advisor, etc

Formalisation (procedure, instruction or record) of this risk analysis is used to draw up the risk assessment and action plan (DUER), the prevention plan (PDP), the specific safety and health protection plan (PPSPS), the safety protocol and any other regulatory requirements.

The relevance of the risk analysis is checked during the preparation, completion and review phases. For information purposes, the broad guidelines of a risk analysis method are provided in Annex 2.
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Schedule/work instructions/work equipment and materials

Particular attention should be paid to drawing up the schedule, associated work instructions, acceptance of work equipment and materials, and equipment loan conditions.

The schedule must include the following as a minimum requirement:
- the activity phases for tasks, services or works,
- all human resources (skills, accreditations, medical fitness):
  - internal operational resources,
  - external resources (subcontracting, temporary staff, etc.),
- requirements in terms of equipment (crane, platform, scaffolding, etc.), materials, CPE and PPE.

Work instructions define the following as a minimum requirement:
- the specific tasks to be completed,
- their order/phasing/chronology,
- the equipment and products used,
- the risks identified and associated prevention measures.

Acceptance of work equipment and material ensures:
- regulatory conformity,
- conformity with the initial statement of requirements,
- conformity with the client’s requirements,
- regulatory documents are present (manufacturer instructions, certificate of conformity, periodic inspection report, insurance, maintenance log, etc.).

If equipment is loaned to other companies, an equipment loan agreement, used to confirm and approve the equipment made available and the loan terms and conditions, is drawn up and can include the following in particular:
- date, duration, equipment loaned, commitments of the parties,
- rules and limits of use, training of personnel in its use,
- third party insurance, responsibilities of the lender and borrower,
- removal of critical reservations,
- etc.

Subcontracting

If works are subcontracted, the employer puts an HSE selection mechanism in place for their subcontractors based on their own criteria and incorporating those of their customer.

Subcontractors selected by the employer can:
- be MASE/UIC common system certified or equivalent,
- be in the process of obtaining MASE/UIC common system certification,
- have their own HSE management procedure.

If certain criteria are not met, the mechanism stipulates compensation measures which can include the following:
- a commitment made by the subcontractor’s management,
- an indicator analysis,
- additional analysis of the work instructions,
- an HSE activity,
- supervision by a competent person,
- target and indicator monitoring,
- more stringent audits,
- subcontractor reporting, etc.

Intervention on the customer site

Dans le cadre de la préparation, l’employeur doit tenir compte des exigences particulières du client (entreprise utilisatrice, entreprise extérieure, collectivité, ...).

Ces exigences peuvent être notamment:
- particular procedures (induction conditions, medical fitness, authorisation to work, hot-work permit, excavation permit, permit to enter confined spaces, waste management, security, evacuation, etc.),
- working hours,
- terms and conditions under which premises, equipment, etc. are made available.

Requirements

Organisation of work

3.2 PREPARATION

Good preparation of work that incorporates HSE issues helps to maintain the best level of protection for employee health and safety and the environment.

Preparation consists of making a detailed inventory of the resources necessary (human, material, CPE, PPE, logistical, etc.) for implementing the prevention measures resulting from the risk analysis.

It must be anticipated as far upstream as possible in order to identify the needs related to tasks, works or services.

“Preparation = anticipation”
## 3.2 PREPARATION

### Does the tasks, works or services schedule define:

| 3.2.1 | • all activity phases ? | 5 |
| 3.2.2 | • the human resources involved (internal and external) ? | 5 |
| 3.2.3 | • appropriate equipment/materials (internal and external) ? | 5 |
| 3.2.4 | • the skills, accreditations and medical fitness required ? | 5 |
| 3.2.5 | • the prevention measures to protect health, safety and the environment ? | 25 |

### Do the work instructions define:

| 3.2.6 | • the specific tasks to be completed ? | 5 |
| 3.2.7 | • their order/phasing/chronology ? | 5 |
| 3.2.8 | • the equipment used ? | 5 |
| 3.2.9 | • the products used ? | 5 |
| 3.2.10 | • the risks identified ? | 5 |
| 3.2.11 | • associated prevention measures ? | 10 |
| 3.2.12 | Does the employer check the conformity of the equipment used? | 25 |
| 3.2.13 | If equipment is loaned to other companies, is an agreement drawn up? | 25 |
| 3.2.14 | Has the employer defined an HSE selection mechanism for their subcontractors ? | 25 |
| 3.2.15 | Does this mechanism stipulate certification based on the MASE/UIC common system or equivalent, or an HSE management system ? | 25 |
| 3.2.16 | Does the employer communicate the HSE requirements (internal and customers) applicable to their subcontractors ? | 25 |
| 3.2.17 | Does this mechanism stipulate the implementation of compensation measures for subcontractors who do not comply with the necessary HSE requirements (internal or external) ? | 25 |
| 3.2.18 | Does the employer provide their personnel with premises and facilities compliant with regulatory requirements ? | 25 |
| 3.2.19 | Does the employer take account of the customer’s particular requirements (HSE procedures, working hours, terms and conditions under which premises, materials, equipment, etc. are made available) ? | 25 |
Completion is implementation of the preparation to execute tasks, works or services. It follows on from the HSE risk analysis.

When tasks, works or services are being executed, particular attention is paid to the following areas:

- HSE instruction / communication
- The conditions under which tasks, works or services are executed are governed by regulations, procedures, instructions, best practice rules, etc.

Improvisation has no place during the completion phase as it is a source of uncontrolled risk.

The employer ensures that the HSE instructions and prevention measures defined in the risk analysis (DUER, PDP, PPSPS, work instructions, permits, etc.) are communicated and understood by all those involved before starting the task, works or service.

The risk analyses and work instructions appropriate to the tasks, works or services are made available on the site.

In the event of a changeover of staff or the assignment of new personnel, the employer guarantees continuity of the information necessary to complete the task, works or service in compliance with the instructions defined.

Change/uncertainty management

When work is being completed, nonconformities may be observed between the stipulations set out and its completion, or uncertainties may be introduced, for example:

- appearance of a new risk,
- change in work conditions,
- change in the process used,
- change in work materials or equipment,
- use of a new product,
- change in the schedule,
- etc.

Important: Any change in the risk analysis (DUER, PDP, PPSPS, work instructions, permits, etc.) must be recorded. The employer informs the relevant personnel of any changes and new prevention and protection measures and ensures they have been understood.

Human resources

The employer assigns sufficient numbers of qualified and competent personnel. They make sure that the skills of the resources assigned match those required to complete the work (training, experience, medical fitness, etc.) and that they have the necessary aptitude to implement the precautions necessary to protect their health, safety and the environment.

If temporary staff are used, the employer informs the employment agency of any change in the assignment initially stipulated.

Work equipment and materials

Work equipment and materials are used by trained personnel in compliance with the manufacturer’s recommendations and instructions. The equipment and prevention resources provided are appropriate to the work being completed.

Regulatory documents (manufacturer instructions, certificate of conformity, periodic inspection report, insurance, maintenance log, etc.) are available on the site where the tasks, works or services are being completed.

The equipment used is compliant and monitored. «Compliant and monitored» means the implementation of mandatory regulatory inspections (buildings, vehicles, machinery, work equipment, CPE, PPE, etc.) and resolution of any nonconformities observed during these inspections.
# Assessment

## Organisation of work

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3.3 RCompletion (continued)

Subcontractors
The employer implements the mechanism they have defined for the selection, control and assessment of their subcontractors.
The employer checks that their subcontractors comply with their HSE requirements and, if necessary, supports them to set up compensation measures. The employer takes their subcontractors’ risk analysis into account.
Use of subcontractors is governed by statutory requirements (subcontracting contract, checking the subcontractor’s URSAFF (social security contributions) declaration, checking obligations on illegal labour, declaring subcontractors to the user company and/or to the safety and health protection coordinator, etc.).

Managing urgent and/or unplanned tasks, works or services
The employer makes the necessary arrangements to manage urgent and/or unplanned tasks, works or services. For example:
- by checking exactly how urgent the need is,
- by mobilising additional managerial staff and trained and accredited teams,
- by creating additional equipment and material mobilisation capacity (hire contract, reserves, stock, etc.).

Handling of urgent work requires planning or preparation tools to be updated.

3.4 Lessons learned
The employer draws up a review on completion of tasks, works or services which includes the following as a minimum requirement:
- feedback from personnel,
- hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
- assessments of subcontractors,
- assessments, audits/inspections, checks (internal or external),
- uncertainties and their management.

This review can highlight the following in particular:
- positive points, points for improvement,
- the effectiveness of risk analyses and work instructions,
- key events,
- nonconformities between analysis of preparation (stipulated work) and completion (actual work).

The review can be used to capitalise on lessons learned through meetings or other measures held for employees in order to improve practices and develop the company’s HSE culture. It may result in the revision of risk analyses (DUER, PDP, etc.) and the methods used.
### 3.3 Completion (continued)

| 3.3.18 | Does the employer implement the mechanism necessary for selecting subcontractors? | 5 | B |
| 3.3.19 | Does the employer implement the mechanism necessary for controlling subcontractors? | 5 | B |
| 3.3.20 | Does the employer implement the mechanism necessary for assessing subcontractors? | 5 | B |
| 3.3.21 | Has the employer declared all of their subcontractors to the relevant parties (user company, safety and health protection coordinator, etc.)? | 5 | B |
| 3.3.22 | Is the planning of tasks, works or services monitored? | 25 | V |

### 3.4 Lessons learned

| 3.4.1 | Does the employer produce a review on completion of tasks, works or services? | 25 | VD |
| 3.4.2 | Is feedback from personnel included in the review? | 25 | V |
| 3.4.3 | Are hazardous situations, near misses and accidents included in the review? | 25 | V |
| 3.4.4 | Are assessments of subcontractors included in the review? | 25 | V |
| 3.4.5 | Are assessments, audits/inspections, checks (internal or external) included in the review? | 25 | V |
| 3.4.6 | Are uncertainties and their management included in the review? | 25 | V |
| 3.4.7 | Is there a mechanism for capitalising on the lessons learned on completion of tasks, works or services? | 25 | VD |
Effectiveness of the management system

4.1 Implementation and application of the management system

For effective implementation, the various mechanisms defined by the employer must be appropriate, known and applied. The following is understood by:

- **appropriate**: the mechanisms correspond to the activity, size, scope and organisation of the company, they are durable and bring results,
- **known**: employees are able to replicate the procedures of those mechanisms that affect them (cf.: job description, risk analysis, etc.),
- **applied**: the procedures prescribed in those mechanisms are implemented (verifiable, measured, traced).

To be effective, the tools of the management system (policy, objectives, HSE indicators, etc.) are appropriate, explained and known to employees, so that each of them can appropriate their meaning.

An HSE coordinating organisation is set up to analyse the results of the management system in terms of the objectives set.

The documents in the document resource can be used to implement the commitments defined in the policy.

To be effective and contribute to continual improvement, the document resource is open-ended to take account of changes and modifications to the company (merger, takeover, diversification of activity, LL, etc.).

One of the objectives of HSE activities is the exchange of ideas between the employer and their employees. This communication is both bottom-up and top-down.

The amount and quality of information fed back as a result of these exchanges is an indicator of the system’s maturity.

If the amount or quality of feedback does not correspond to the employer’s expectations, the latter must identify and analyse the causes of this in order to make the necessary modifications to their activity mechanism (education, form, content, document, organisation, etc.).

These exchanges, activities and feedback contribute to the HSE culture of the company.

All of these mechanisms are considered effective when they bring the company:

- **results** (post filled, match between vacant post and employee hired, low turnover and attrition rates, training success rate, knowledge sharing, etc.),
- **improvements** (modification of assessment materials, educational content, etc.),
- **development** (tools, choice of new skills, choice of new working methods, use of lessons learned, etc.).
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**Assessment**

**Effectiveness of the management system**

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4.2 HSE audits

The employer checks the effectiveness of their management system through regular and planned inspections which can take the form of audits, factory floor inspections or any other form. These inspections are defined in accordance with HSE targets and the maturity of the company’s management system.

The audit of the system is based on the 5 areas of the reference guide and performed in its entirety at least once a year (documentation component and site component).

The audit can be performed by an internal auditor or one external to the company.

Worksite / workshop audits and factory floor inspections examine the following areas:

- **human**: employee knowledge of the risks they are exposed to, compliance with procedure / working methods, compliance with instructions resulting from the risk analysis, accreditations, identification of high-risk behaviours / attitudes, etc.
- **organisational**: preparation, planning, documentation of instructions resulting from the risk analysis, documentation of procedures / working methods, accreditations, waste recycling and disposal, identification of hazardous situations, etc.
- **technical**: appropriateness and conformity of equipment, provision of protective devices (collective, individual), products used, identification of hazardous situations, etc.

Regular and planned inspections provide information on positive points, guidance for improvement and nonconformities (hazardous situations, hazardous actions, anomalies, etc.).

The observations they contain are followed up (action plan, HSE coordinating organisation, communication) and relevant data is incorporated in the continual improvement process (review, use of lessons learned, etc.).

Actions can be immediate or deferred.

As a general rule, deferred actions are monitored in the action plan(s).

Actions implemented immediately are assessed in order to identify whether or not they should be incorporated into action plan(s) by considering how often they recur or their severity.

For information purposes, broad guidelines on how to perform an audit are provided in Annex 5.
**Assessment**

**Effectiveness of the management system**

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Does the system audit cover application of the five areas in the MASE reference guide ?

| 4.2.3 | Commitments of company management                                         | 5      |
| 4.2.4 | Professional skills and qualifications                                    | 5      |
| 4.2.5 | Organisation of work                                                      | 5      |
| 4.2.6 | Effectiveness of the management system                                    | 5      |
| 4.2.7 | Continual improvement                                                    | 5      |
| 4.2.8 | Does the management system audit allow feedback of information on problems? | 25     |
| 4.2.9 | Are these problems included in the action plan(s) ?                       | 10     |
| 4.2.10| Has the employer put a worksite/workshop audit mechanism in place ?       | 25     |
| 4.2.11| Is the frequency with which worksite/workshop HSE audits are conducted    | 10     |
|        | appropriate to the company ?                                              |        |
| 4.2.12| Do these worksite/workshop audits cover the entirety of the certification | 25     |
|        | perimeter ?                                                               |        |

Do the HSE areas checked in the worksite/workshop audit include :

| 4.2.13| Human resources ?                                                         | 5      |
| 4.2.14| Organisational resources ?                                                | 5      |
| 4.2.15| Technical resources ?                                                     | 5      |
| 4.2.16| Is/are the audit form(s) appropriate to the company ?                    | 5      |
| 4.2.17| Is/are the audit form(s) applied ?                                        | 25     |
| 4.2.18| Does the audit methodology allow feedback of HSE information ?           | 25     |
| 4.2.19| Does this HSE information generate actions ?                              | 25     |
| 4.2.20| Are immediate actions assessed for inclusion in action plan(s) ?         | 25     |
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4.3 Analysis of hazardous situations, near misses, accidents and occupational diseases

When an incident occurs (hazardous situation, near miss, accident, occupational disease), the employer identifies its direct causes and puts compensation measures in place to prevent a secondary event resulting from the first. These compensation measures must be implemented rapidly and are provisional.

Regardless of the type of incident identified, the employer conducts an enquiry/fact-finding mission to determine its exact circumstances (who, what, where, when, how, with whom).

The employer must use their own criteria (actual severity, potential severity, frequency, circumstances, control, etc.) to assess and define one or more threshold(s) beyond which an in-depth analysis of the causes will be conducted. The analysis method is defined by the employer (cause tree, 5-M, Ishikawa, Itamami, Hazop, Amdec, etc.).

Analysis of the incident is used to determine the fundamental causes and the associated preventive actions designed to improve the management system. The actions selected must be appropriate and long-term.

It is conducted by one or more trained and experienced people appointed by the employer who identify:

- the direct causes,
- the fundamental causes,
- the corrective actions to be implemented,
- the preventive actions to be implemented.

It can be used to communicate on lessons learned (HSE newsflash, HSE meetings, etc.) and is recorded. If the employer uses subcontractors, they must ensure that the latter implement an equivalent mechanism.
4.3 Analysis of hazardous situations, near misses, accidents and occupational diseases

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Does the employer use a recognised method to conduct an in-depth analysis of the facts for:

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Continual improvement is an ongoing process. It is used to improve the overall performance of the management system, to make the mechanisms implemented efficient, to improve working conditions, and to help protect the health and safety of employees and the environment.

5.1 Management system
This concept involves regular reappraisal of the company’s management system tools produced from the 4 areas of the reference guide. Its purpose is to optimise them:

- individually, from a qualitative and quantitative point of view.
  For example, for HSE meetings:
  - the quantitative aspect can be assessed in terms of their frequency (appropriate or not to the size and organisation of the company), meeting attendance rates, the amount of feedback, the number of topics examined, etc.
  - the qualitative aspect can be assessed through the quality of discussions and feedback, the impact of this feedback on the implementation of concrete actions, the diversity of HSE topics examined, etc.

- globally, in order to check the interaction between tools.
  For example, for the annual review and training programme:
  - Inclusion of feedback generated from individual reviews in the training programme.

Continual improvement is effective when the following elements are found in each of the management system mechanisms:

- progress in HSE prevention (improvement of working conditions, protection of employee health),
- evolution of HSE behaviours,
- development of the HSE culture,
- the opportunity for every employee to play a proactive role in HSE risk prevention,
- etc.
The contribution of each mechanism can be assessed through the following components

- **The policy and targets:**
  - clarify the employer’s commitment,
  - make the strategies adopted by the employer concrete,
  - allow everyone to be aware of the strategies adopted by the employer,
  - etc.

- **The consultation organisation (WC, SR, CHSCT, other, etc.), through the duties assigned to it:**
  - identifies and analyses the strengths and weaknesses of the management system,
  - develops solutions to improve the efficiency of the management system,
  - etc.

- **The mechanism for dealing with new HSE regulatory requirements:**
  - is used to develop the mechanisms of the management system,
  - is appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
  - is used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
  - etc.

- **Feedback:**
  - is analysed and leads to the implementation of actions,
  - is used to develop the mechanisms of the management system,
  - allows the active involvement of employees,
  - is appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
  - is communicated to employees,
  - etc.

- **The coordinating organisation of the management system:**
  - identifies and analyses the strengths and weaknesses of the management system,
  - defines and plans improvements necessary,
  - identifies the resources appropriate to the corrections/changes to be made,
  - defines new areas/strategies,
  - gives its verdict on the efficiency of the management system,
  - etc.

- **Indicators:**
  - lead to the adjustment of targets,
  - modify monitoring frequency based on the results obtained,
  - are appropriate to the issues developed in the policy,
  - etc.

- **Action plan(s):**
  - is/are used to improve employee working conditions,
  - is/are used to develop the mechanisms of the management system,
  - is/are used to evolve behaviours and practices,
  - is/are used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
  - is/are appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
  - etc.
The document resource:
- develops the understanding of users through its application,
- helps users take the decisions they need to make,
- incorporates new developments (technical, organisational, methodological, etc.),
- takes LL into account,
- etc.

The information and activity mechanisms:
- are used to develop the mechanisms of the management system,
- allow the active involvement of employees,
- are appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
- are used to evolve behaviours,
- are used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
- etc.

The employee recruitment, assignment, training and assessment mechanisms:
- encourage bottom-up feedback,
- allow the active involvement of employees,
- are used to evolve behaviours and practices,
- are used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
- etc.

The HSE risk analysis method(s) and prevention measures identified:
- are used to develop the mechanisms of the management system,
- allow the active involvement of employees,
- are used to control work situations,
- are used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
- are appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
- etc.

The mechanism for selecting and assessing subcontractors:
- is used to evolve behaviours and practices,
- are used to reduce hazardous situations, near misses and accidents,
- are appropriate to the issues faced by the company,
- etc.

The concept of continual improvement is applicable to all levels of the company.
For example:
- factory floor operatives through the feedback they can give and possible participation in HSE consultations,
- supervisory staff through listening, their support of HSE risk prevention tools and their exemplary behaviour,
- management through the ongoing measures they implement,
- staff representation bodies (if they exist) through their involvement,
- etc.
# Assessment
## Continual improvement

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Continual improvement is regularly implemented through a lessons learned process (cf. section 3.4). The review is a factual analysis of the targets set, the resources implemented and the results obtained. It is conducted quantitatively and qualitatively.

It contains the following elements as a minimum requirement:

- the partial or total attainment of targets,
- the history of indicators (trends, changes),
- feedback and/or lessons learned (accidentology, hazard exposure, occupational disease, inspections, worksite completion review, etc.),
- nonconformities observed when checking the application of regulations,
- contractual and/or regulatory changes applicable to the company,
- the results of audits (external, internal) and other planned inspections of management system efficiency,
- action plan(s) and their progress,
- envisaged changes to activities.
## 5.2 HSE review

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Requirements
Continual improvement

5.3 Improvement actions

The data in the review is analysed, compared and processed so that the employer can reach a verdict on:

- the degree to which the action plan has been implemented,
- the degree to which their management system has improved,
- the relevance of their management system,
- the efficiency of their management system,
- etc.

As a result of this review and the conclusions drawn, the employer makes decisions regarding:

- new targets,
- the new action plan,
- the introduction of new preventive or corrective actions,
- changes in the assignment of resources and methodologies,
- changes in strategy or organisation,
- etc.

Following the review, its analysis and the decisions taken, the employer ensures that the information given to their employees is traceable.
## 5.3 Improvement actions

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<td>Does the employer make decisions in light of this review?</td>
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<td>Do the decisions made result in the revision of management system tools (policy, targets, indicators, etc.)?</td>
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LIST OF ANNEXES

The annexes below are a summary of the reflections drawn up by a working group. They are based on knowledge of:

- the statutory regulations applicable to drafting a document,
- good practices, appraisals and methodologies.

They act as guidelines for any employer wishing to set up an HSE management system with a view to MASE/UIC common system certification.

Annex 1 • Advice on analysing the existing organisation when setting up the process.
Annex 2 • Advice on implementing the risk analysis.
Annex 3 • Advice on choosing indicators.
Annex 4 • Advice on running meetings.
Annex 5 • Advice on audits.
Annex 6 • Advice on implementing a review.
Annex 7 • Advice on implementing an action plan.
Annex 8 • Advice on managing temporary staff.
Annex 9 • Advice on exposure measurement.
Annex 10 • Advice on choosing, deploying, maintaining and managing personal protective equipment.
Annex 11 • Advice on fitting out staff facilities.
1. Purpose of the annex

The purpose of this annex is to help the employer assess the provisions already in place within their organisation. This self-assessment can be used to measure nonconformities between the existing level of their system and the level required for certification, and to draw up an initial action plan.

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<td>explanation allowing analysis (as applicable)</td>
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**COMMITMENTS OF COMPANY MANAGEMENT**

**Objective:** Define how the company’s HSE management is organised

An employer wanting to put an HSE management system in place must ensure that their vision of HSE issues is correctly perceived by their employees. They share their commitments (policy) with their employees. They specify the actions they want to implement. They establish their strategy (targets, organisation, indicators, and action and document planning).

**PHSE policy:** Document that formalises and brings together the commitments made by management.

- Do I have a clear document that formalises my commitments and the principles to be complied with in the company including Health Safety Environment (HSE) issues?

**Targets:** Used to define the goal, the target to be reached.

- Have I defined specific targets to improve my organisation and HSE results?

**Organisation:** Used to clarify the organisation, the job and role of every employee.

- Are the functions of everyone in my organisation clearly defined?

**Coordination of the system by the employer:**

Allows the employer to monitor the functioning of their organisation in order to identify its strengths and weaknesses, and to react in the event of nonconformities so as to achieve their targets.

- Do I conduct regular updates with the relevant people in the company to learn about, deal with and monitor HSE incidents?
- Do I have a summary tool (cockpit chart, etc.) that allows me to monitor the progress of actions and the attainment of targets?
- Have I defined and do I have indicators allowing me to monitor the attainment of objectives and implementation of actions?
- Are preventive actions planned (audits, review, communication, HSE meetings, etc.)?
- Is there a document resource (manual/instructions/procedures/other, etc.)?
- Is there an appropriate communication/activity system involving all personnel (display of notices, meetings, etc.) so that everyone can feed back information?
### PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

**Objective:** Transmit to all employees the "knowledge», «skills» and «attitude» required to fulfil their professional duties

The employer ensures that their employees have the knowledge, skills and attitude to fulfil their professional duties. The aim here is to allow every employee to better understand the concept of risk.

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**Recruitment/assignment**
- Do I have a recruitment mechanism for the jobs in the company?

**Induction, sponsoring, training of new employees and temporary staff:**
- P: Used to provide the necessary information in order to ensure good integration into the company and to make new employees aware of job-related risks and HSE issues.
- Have I put a mechanism in place so that all employees are supported in learning how to fulfil their professional duties?

**Monitoring of training/medical fitness:**
- Used to monitor and update accreditations and medical fitness for each employee and adapt planning to the skills required for the work to be done.
- Are accreditations, particular authorisations, medical inspections and the training programme monitored? (dates/deadlines)

**Assessment of staff (permanent and temporary)**
- Have I put a means of assessing permanent/temporary employees in place so that acquisition of knowledge can be validated?

### ORGANISATION OF WORK

**Objective:** Control HSE risks when performing tasks, works or services.

The employer, through their choice of organisation, must guarantee control of risk on their worksites. They do so by using methods and resources that ensure this control (DUER, prevention plan, schedule, subcontracting, etc.)

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**Risk analysis:**
- Used to guarantee the best level of protection for
- Is the risk analysis applied to all tasks, works or services both on and off the company’s premises (DUER, etc.)?

**Preparation/schedule:**
- Used to manage personnel requirements (qualification/accreditation) for each piece of work.
- Is there a schedule of tasks, works or services?

**Work instructions:**
- Used to define the stages and implementation of the piece of work.
- Are there work instructions for tasks, works or services?

**Equipment / facility:**
- Used to ensure that the employer’s subcontractors share the same HSE values so they can work together.
- Is work equipment used in compliance with the manufacturer’s recommendations/instructions?

**Subcontractors:**
- Used to ensure that the employer’s subcontractors share the same HSE values so they can work together.
- Have I put in place/implemented the mechanism necessary for selecting subcontractors?
**EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

**Objective:** Assess the effectiveness of the management system.

The employer ensures that the organisation they have set up meets the expectations defined.

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<td>• Do inspections and factory floor audits allow me to check that tasks are being carried out correctly ?</td>
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**CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

**Objective:** Assess the effectiveness of the management system

The employer must review and appraise their organisation in order to make new choices for the future.

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1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to suggest a risk analysis method to the employer. There are many different risk analysis methods. The employer must define their own.

2. Definitions
Hazard: the intrinsic property of an element capable of compromising the physical integrity or health of people, or of threatening the safety of facilities or the environment.
Exposure: the act of subjecting an individual to the effect caused by the hazard.

Risk is the conjunction (simultaneous occurrence) of a Hazard and Exposure:

Risk = Hazard X Exposure

3. The different stages
Once the risk has been identified, it must be assessed. This assessment allows appropriate preventive actions to be put in place.
A conventional risk analysis involves a series of stages:

- Hazard identification
- A priori risk assessment
- Identification of situations with exposure potential
- Qualitative and/or quantitative assessment
- Residual risk assessment
- Recording and monitoring

The first two stages are used to collect all information relevant to the job (job description, hazards of the job, regulatory information, etc.) which also includes external, multi-source elements (joint activity). Implementation of prevention measures, in compliance with the nine general prevention principles, allows identification of any residual risk which must then be reassessed.
3.1 Hazard identification

**ANALYSIS PROCESS**
Hazards are identified based on 5 main groups. The process must take account of the environment (location) of the tasks, works or services to be performed.

- Physical (noise, pressure, climatic conditions, radiation, vibration, temperature, electrical, etc.)
- Chemical (liquid, gas, solid, steam, aerosol, dust, nanoparticles, etc.)
- Biological (fungi, insects, bacteria, viruses, etc.)
- Ergonomic (working posture, workstation, physical movements at the workstation, etc.)
- Psychological (pressure, workload, harassment, etc.)

This list of hazard groups is not exhaustive.
This hazard identification process is based on the 5 main groups.

**PREVENTIVE ACTION**
La substitution ou à défaut la réduction du danger.
3.2 A priori risk assessment

A priori risk assessment is used to list the risks encountered by personnel in their activities. It precedes assessment on the ground and consists of analysing the work stipulated and identifying hazards. It introduces the concept of Similar Exposure Groups.

ANALYSIS OF STIPULATED WORK
This consists of analysing hazards in relation to jobs and stipulated working methods.

3.3 Identification of situations with exposure potential

Situations with exposure potential are identified on the ground while work is being carried out: this is the analysis of actual work.

ACTUAL WORK
Actual work is often different from stipulated work. In order to achieve their targets, the employee will make certain adaptations. Studying the employee at their workstation allows observation of nonconformities from stipulated work and the possible definition of other HEGs.

Analysis of actual work is used to determine the frequency, duration and level of exposure. This is the qualitative and/or quantitative risk analysis.

ANALYSIS PROCESS
The following question must be asked at this stage of the process: is there exposure as a result of the occupational activity?

PREVENTIVE ACTION
Elimination or modification of the task (adapt work instructions and reduce hazard exposure, etc.).

ACTUAL HEG
Allows better targeting of employees in relation to specific risks (e.g.: CMR).
3.4 Qualitative and/or quantitative assessment

The characteristics of duration, frequency and severity, among others, are taken into account in this stage. The assessment is graded so that risks can be ranked in order of importance.

PREVENTIVE ACTION
The purpose of any preventive action is to keep exposure or the probability of exposure to risk as low as reasonably practicable. Periodic reviews of prevention measures guarantee that the lowest level of exposure to risk is achieved, maintained and sustainable.

The following aspects are considered at this level:
• Organisational modification of the job (instructions, procedures, etc.),
• Technical modification of the job: collective protective equipment (CPE),
• Provision of personal protective equipment (PPE),
• Training/information provision on the job (hazards, risks, effects on health, wearing PPE, etc.).

3.5 Residual risk assessment
Residual risk is the risk that remains after preventive measures have been put in place.

ANALYSIS PROCESS
Ask the question: is the risk controlled?

PREVENTIVE ACTION
Two scenarios are possible:
• The residual risk is identified during the risk analysis it has therefore been taken into account during the implementation of preventive measures.
• The residual risk is identified after the implementation of preventive measures a new qualitative and quantitative.
3.6 Recording and monitoring

The risk analysis must be recorded in its entirety so that it can be used in relevant documents. For example, for the DUER, PPSPS, work instructions, orders, etc.

4. Client/Contractor interfaces

The company (Supplier Company) may be asked to perform work on a customer’s premises (Client) or to perform work on a customer’s equipment or materials on its own premises. In this case, employees may be exposed to hazards of the customer’s company in addition to the risks inherent to their own activity.

Using information on the hazards of the Client and the work to be performed, the Contractor (or Companies) and the Client conduct the risk analysis jointly and formalise it through the prevention plan.

- Risks specific to the Client: the generic risks of the Client, which can be mapped by unit or activity zone.
- Risks specific to the Contractor: risks inherent to the actual activity of the SC; they are strongly correlated with the industry involved and transcribed in work instructions.
- Multi-source risks: risks resulting from the activity of the Contractor in the zone or unit of another company (Client or Contractor). They are linked to the working methods, equipment used, processes and environment of the UC. They lead to the modification of work instructions.
1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer choose their indicators. The indicators shown in this annex are given as examples; this list is not exhaustive. Every employer is free to choose the numeric and descriptive indicators used to monitor their system.

2. Definition
A system can only be effective if permanently monitored through the use of indicators. The employer must regularly check the results produced. Indicators are used to monitor whether the management system is functioning correctly. They can be analysed to highlight the actual situation in relation to planned actions in order to adjust the action plan.

3. Choice of indicators
To be effective, an indicator must meet several criteria:
• Be appropriate to the company: in relation to the scope of the company’s activity and its organisation.
• Be relevant: responds to a need, is representative in relation to what it is measuring, is realistic for attaining the target and is concrete.
• Be simple: understandable by everyone and easy to implement.
• Be reproducible: quantifiable and usable for both synthesis and analysis purposes in order to monitor its evolution and thus assess the efficiency of the different actions undertaken.
• Be reliable: realistic and credible in relation to what it is measuring.
• Be linked to a target: the target must represent a commitment to improve and must be realistic.

4. Indicator types
These indicators include:
• Indicators required by the association for MASE/UIC common system certification.
• Monitoring and result indicators put in place by the employer.

5. Indicators required by the MASE association
These indicators must be provided by the employer every six months via the MASE website (workforce size, number of lost-time accidents, number of talks, number of audits, significant changes in the company, etc.). This periodic check, in addition to certification, allows the MASE association to monitor developments in the HSE management system of every company, and to undertake a global analysis of the HSE results of all its members. Analysis of these global results can be compared to national results (official body references). The employer can contact the regional administrator for guidance on how to enter data for the six-monthly follow-up. Failure to provide this follow-up information can result in certification being suspended.

6. Indicators put in place by the employer
The employer defines the numeric indicators that most closely measure their performance. The employer decides on indicators that they judge relevant to attaining the targets they have set. These indicators will be re-entered into a «Cockpit chart» so that they can be monitored and exploited.
7. Examples of system indicators
- HSE leaders rate: number of HSE leaders/total company workforce,
- Number of actions resulting from the risk analysis (DUER),
- Number of formal HSE communications issued by the employer over the year,
- Action plan implementation rate: actions implemented/total number of actions,
- Action plan effectiveness rate: number of preventive actions/total number of actions,
- Number of HSE actions undertaken following HSE meetings (Annex 4),
- Number of internal or external HSE nonconformity reports,
- Number of HSE meetings per person,
- Number of actions enabling an HSE improvement,
- Number of audits/worksite inspections,
- Absenteeism rate (WA, OD, unjustified, etc.),
- Turnover rate,
- Accidentology: frequency rate (FR1, FR2 and FR3) and severity rate,
- Individual review rate: number of individual reviews conducted/total company workforce, etc.

8. Examples of safety indicators
- Number of LTAs (lost-time accident),
- Number / rate of jobs modified,
- Number of NLTA (non-lost-time accident),
- Number of commuting accidents,
- Number of hazardous situations,
- Number of highway code offences received by the company on its car fleet,
- Number of traffic accident declarations (responsible or not),
- Number of HSE actions implemented enabling a reduction in the number of hazardous situations identified in the DUER,
- Number / analysis rate of accidents and hazardous situations,
- Safety topics rate: number of safety topics/total number of HSE meetings,
- Safety inspections rate: number of safety inspections/total number of HSE inspections,
- PDP or PPSPS rate: number of PDPs or PPSPSs/total number of company worksites,
- Safety training rate: number of safety training courses/total number of training courses in the company,
- Safety communications rate: number of safety communications/total number of communications,
- Vehicle status monitoring (service, general maintenance, regulatory vehicle inspection, vehicle/use suitability, etc.).
9. Examples of health indicators
- Number of situations with exposure potential (noise, vibration, cold, heat, HCA, CMR, MSD, etc.),
- Number / analysis rate of situations with exposure potential,
- Health topics rate: number of health topics/total number of HSE meetings,
- Health inspections rate: number of health inspections/total number of HSE meetings,
- Health training rate: number of health training courses/total number of training courses in the company,
- Monitoring of medical examinations,
- Number / rate of employees subject to closer medical supervision (SMR),
- Number / monitoring of exposure measurements (noise, screen, HCA, CMR, MSD, etc.),
- Number of occupational diseases, requested or recognised (OD tables) or diseases of an occupational nature,
- Number of tasks eliminated with exposure potential,
- Number of employees exposed to one or more stress factor(s),
- Rate of employees with medical restrictions: number of employees with job-related medical restrictions/total company workforce,
- Health communications rate: number of health communications/total number of communications.

10. Examples of environment indicators
- Number / rate of potentially polluting situations,
- Number / rate of environment topics: number of environment topics/total number of HSE meetings,
- Environment inspections rate: number of environment inspections/total number of HSE meetings,
- Number / rate of environment training courses: number of environment training courses/total number of training courses in the company,
- Environment communications rate: number of environment communications/total number of communications,
- Monitoring of waste processing costs,
- Waste sorting (dedicated skips),
- Recycling rate (waste recycled / waste produced),
- Recycling (bulbs, batteries, ink cartridges, etc.),
- Waste recovery (transformation of waste into energy),
- Consumption monitoring / ratios (paper, office technology, fuel, oil, electricity, drinking or industrial water, gas, etc.),
- Carbon footprint,
- Promotion of public transport / car sharing / cycle use,
- Number of complaints from neighbourhood sources (odour, noise, other forms of pollution, etc.)
- Impact carbone,
- Valorisation du transport en commun / covoiturage / utilisation de bicyclette,
- Nombre de plaintes du voisinage (odeur, bruit, autres nuisances...).
ANNEX 4
Advice on running meetings

1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer organise their HSE meetings.

2. Definition
This is a meeting planned and run by a person competent in the topic under discussion. It allows everyone in the company to express themselves and allows bottom-up feedback to identify potential drivers of improvement that could be implemented.

3. Organising a management meeting
This is a meeting planned and run by a person competent in the topic under discussion. It allows everyone in the company to express themselves and allows bottom-up feedback to identify potential drivers of improvement that could be implemented.
Preparation
These meetings can be prepared following the process described below:

- Set the topic: the topic can be fixed in advance in accordance with an established schedule or based on current developments in the company or internal and/or external lessons learned. At this stage of the preparation and for the given topic the "message(s) to get across" must be identified.
- Set the duration: this will be based on the importance of the topic and the message(s) to be communicated,
- Research informative documents (brochures, articles, LL, films, photos, etc.) that can be used to construct the presentation,
- Prepare the presentation medium and the necessary equipment: depending on the topic, the presentation can consist of verbal commentary on a supporting document or be projected in different formats (video, slideshow, photos, etc.),
- Target the relevant personnel: the target must be appropriate to the topic examined (examples: solder fumes → welders, office technology risks → administrative personnel),
- Set the location, dates and times: varying the meeting locations may be of benefit. The locations, dates and times chosen must allow personnel to listen in the most receptive conditions possible,
- Plan notifications/invitations/attendance sheet,
- Etc.

Meeting process
It can be run as described below:

- Welcome participants,
- Present the topic and length of the meeting,
- Validate the attendance sheet: this must contain the topic examined and its main components, the date, the name and signature of the facilitator, the name and signature of participants,
- Ensure the participation of all participants by preventing a single person from monopolising the meeting,
- Stay on topic and observe the allocated times of the meeting,
- Record comments and planned actions on the topic examined (attendance sheet, minutes, etc.),
- Collect any requests for other topics expressed during the meeting,
- Etc.

Processing and follow-up
Additional actions may take place after the meeting:

- Record the meeting (date, topic, comments and actions),
- Validate and plan actions,
- Provide information on actions selected and not selected,
- Add the relevant information to the action plan for follow-up,
- Archive the record,
- Etc.

Ce traitement et ce suivi sont des données d’entrée pour le bilan.
1. Purpose
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer make the audit tool effective.

2. Definition
The audit is a systematic, objective examination conducted on the basis of a reference guide. It is used to establish observations from the points audited (inventory) in order to identify nonconformities, offer guidance on improvement and highlight good practices / positive points.
There are several different types of audit:
• System audit,
• Preparatory audit (dry run),
• Factory floor audit (inspection), industrial sector audit, worksite audit, etc.
• Targeted audit (PPE, vehicles, plant facilities, tooling, equipment, etc.),
• Audit of a procedure, work instructions, etc.,
• Documentary audit, etc.
3. Audit process
Regardless of the audit chosen, it consists of several stages:

Preparation and organisation
The employer must choose:
- The type of audit to be conducted and the scope (audit limit) to be audited
- The audit team (one or more auditor(s) must be competent or trained)
- Planning (date, activity, location, worksite, etc.) and the audit plan (system or preparatory audit)
- Organisation of the audit with transmission of documents (system or preparatory audit) between the audit team and the entity audited.

Implementation
The audit team must:
- Hold an opening meeting (introduction of the people involved, presentation and objective of the audit)
- Perform the audit by:
  - Using the plan (system or preparatory audit)
  - Following a predefined inspection form
    - Worksite form (display of notices, PDP or PPSPS, movement around the site, PPE, etc.)
    - Vehicle form (licence, service, condition, tyres, etc.)
    - Equipment form (inspection report, condition, CPE, etc.)
    - Etc.
  - Noting positive points, guidance on improvement, minor or major nonconformities,
  - Holding the closing meeting (presentation of the audit observations and conclusions so that the audited entity understands and accepts them).

Traceability
The audit team must:
- Draw up the audit report,
- Produce nonconformity reports,
- Circulate them to the employer.

The employer must:
- Put an action plan in place (areas for improvement, corrective or preventive actions) on the basis of the nonconformities observed,
- Monitor the actions undertaken and measure their effectiveness.

NB: the system audit consists of two components:
- the documentary analysis,
- the analysis on the ground: it is conducted either in the location where tasks, works or services are performed or using information from the ground (audit reports/factory floor inspections, etc.).
ANNEX 6
Advice on implementing a review

1. Purpose
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer organise and conduct their review (preparation, implementation, and processing and follow-up of the review).

2. Definition
A review is a tool used to:
- Analyse results,
- Check the attainment of targets,
- Monitor the execution of action plans,
- Check the relevance of policy,
- Check the efficiency of the management system,
- Suggest changes to the management system.
3. Organising a review

The review is used to take stock of a completed period of time and set the course for the following period. It is mandatory and must take place at least once a year.

Important: Failure to complete a review results in a major nonconformity.

Preparation

The review can be prepared following the process described below:

- Define the date, time and location of the meeting.
- Determine the participants (non-exhaustive list):
  - Management, HR, HSE, equipment manager, first-level supervisory personnel, etc.,
- Collect input data (non-exhaustive list):
  - How elements in the previous review have been handled,
  - Results (indicators, incidents, work accident / occupational disease / permanent partial incapacity, etc.),
  - Energy index, carbon footprint, energy consumption,
  - Results of management meetings (topics, participants, feedback, actions, etc.),
  - Analysis of the action plan,
  - Review of inspections (audits, factory floor inspections, etc.),
  - Any exposure incidents (CMR, radiation protection, biological, etc.),
  - Measurement results (hazardous chemical agents, noise, dust, vibration, etc.),
  - Bottom-up feedback (hazardous situations, areas for improvement, etc.),
  - Analysis of regulatory and technical developments,
  - The risk assessment (physical, chemical, biological, ergonomic, psychological and social, etc.),
  - Comments from regulatory periodic inspections (electrical, fire extinguishers, materials, equipment, etc.),
  - Personnel monitoring (medical fitness, training, accreditations/authorisations, etc.),
  - Waste monitoring (waste tracking form, sorting, recovery, etc.),
  - Analysis of activities specific to the company (transport of hazardous goods, etc.),
  - Review of temporary staff (fixed-term contracts, temporary workers, etc.),
  - Review of the communication plan (display of posters, media, Internet, etc.),
  - Etc.

Implementation of the review

- Welcome participants
- Validate the attendance sheet
- Present and analyse the input data
- If applicable, determine output data (non-exhaustive list):
  - Revision of the policy
  - Adjustment of targets and indicators
  - Updating of the action plan
  - Modification of the document system (management manual, procedures, etc.)
  - Inventorying of regulatory texts
  - Adjustment of human and/or material requirements
  - Updating of the training programme
  - General adjustment based on input data
  - Etc.

At the end of the review, the employer gives their verdict on the relevance and efficiency of the management system.

Processing and follow-up

- Production and circulation of minutes to the relevant people,
- Inclusion of actions resulting from the review in the action plan,
- Circulation of updated documents if applicable,
- Archiving of review minutes.
ANNEX 7
Advice on implementing an action plan

1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer implement an action plan to improve their management system and make it more efficient.

2. Definition
The action plan is a mechanism of the management system used to monitor the completion of actions (corrective, preventive, regulatory, etc.).
It contains the following headings as a minimum requirement: description, origin, nominated person responsible, completion deadline, monitoring or progress status, effectiveness measurement.

3. Implementing an action plan
The action plan may be selective:
- annual
- limited in its duration
- based on different areas or activities
- defined as a function of the scope (national, regional, agency, etc.)
- Etc.
For ease of follow-up, the employer can group it into a single document.
In order to implement an action plan, the employer must collect all of the relevant information from their management system (review, feedback from meetings, LL, consequences of a WA or OD, etc.).
4. Components of the action plan

The action plan must be easy to use, clear, ranked in order of importance and may contain the following (with the points in bold below as a minimum requirement):

• A revision date,
• A date on which the action is recorded,
• **Description of the action** (proposal or nature of the action to be implemented),
• **Origin of the action** (audit, inspection, talk, meeting, regulatory requirement, etc.),
• The nature and cause of the nonconformity (regulatory, system, etc.),
• The risk generated (HSE, financial, quality risks, etc.),
• **The nominated person responsible** for the action (in charge of implementing it),
• **The implementation deadline** (planned action completion date),
• **Monitoring or progress report** (progress indicator on implementation of the actions),
• The closing date of the action (final date for completion of the action),
• The total cost of the action (financial commitment including material, human and technical resources),
• Ranking of the action (priority level of the action as a function of risk),
• **Measurement of the action’s effectiveness** (the risk has not reappeared, no other risks generated, elimination of the risk, absence of stress for employees, regulatory compliance, etc.),
• Etc.

This list is not exhaustive and must be adapted to the company.

5. Monitoring the action plan

the management system steering committee meets and must be recorded. Actions not implemented from the previous period are brought forward to the action plan for the current period.

Action plan monitoring constitutes an item of input data for the review.

It guarantees correct functioning of the management system.
ANNEX 8
Advice on managing temporary staff

1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to assist the employer in managing (statement of requirements, integration, assessment) their temporary staff.

2. Definition
Temporary staff is understood to mean people on fixed-term contracts and temporary workers.

Companies which use temporary staff must:

- Anticipate workload fluctuations through the inclusion of seasonal phenomena and take account of foreseeable variations in workforce numbers (paid leave, training courses, etc.).
- Develop internal flexibility to cover high-risk jobs and prioritise assignment of temporary workers to other jobs.
- Ensure that the job does not involve prohibited work.
- Prioritise use of temporary staff for long-term assignments.
- Provide a medical examination by their company doctor if the employee is subject to closer medical supervision (SMR).
3. Organisation

Statement of requirements

- The characteristics of the assignment (profile required, duration, location and working hours).
- The characteristics of the job (nature of the job, detail of all tasks, machine(s), equipment, device(s), product(s), tool(s), etc. used by the employee).
- The existence of particular working conditions,
- The risks inherent to the job and corresponding preventive measures,
- The professional expertise, accreditations and qualifications required,
- The personal protective equipment necessary,
- Jobs involving specific risks, and the enhanced training provided,
- Any closer medical supervision the user company is responsible for,
- Contact details of the company doctor or occupational health department,
- Etc.

The statement of requirements must be formalised in a document.

Integration

On their arrival in the company, the integration process must ensure that the information necessary for the temporary employee to fulfill their professional duties is passed on to them.

In addition to regulatory obligations (induction, job training, jobs involving specific risks and enhanced training, etc.), integration must include the following in particular:

- Introduction of supervisory staff and their team.
- Support of temporary staff by a named person appointed by the employer of the host company (sponsor/tutor) who knows the work to be done and all of the rules to perform it safely.
- Assessment of knowledge acquired following job training.
- Formalisation and recording of the induction and training process.

Assessment

In order to ensure that the duties of temporary staff are always consistent with the specifications of the contract, on-the-job inspections must be organised. At the end of the assignment, temporary staff are assessed. Assessment of temporary staff must allow the employer to check the attainment of targets and compliance with the rules and good practices of the host company.
1. Purpose of the annex

The purpose of this annex is to help the employer in their obligations to measure exposure to hazards in order to prevent health risks at work and occupational diseases. This prevention is based on both a qualitative assessment (the risk analysis) and on a quantitative assessment (metrology).

Using reliable (and not random) methods, the quantitative assessment identifies exposure levels in order to implement corrective solutions (global or individual) if necessary.

2. Definition

Metrology: the science of measurement in both theory and practice. Personal sampling: used to sample the work area around the employee regardless of their location.

Area sampling (general air measurement): used to sample a defined area of the workplace and produce mapping.

Biological monitoring: urine or blood analyses which allow the company doctor to assess the actual exposure level to a chemical agent through use of biomarkers.

3. Exposure measurement process

The exposure measurement process must include:
- The purpose of the measurements,
- The measurement strategy,
- Choice of sampling methods and measuring devices,
- Interpretation of results,
- Feedback of information to the personnel affected.

3.1 Purpose of the measurements

The first step of metrology is to ask the following question: what will these measurements be used for? The whole theoretical and practical measurement process will be determined by the answer to this.

The purpose of the measurements is to respond to:
- A regulatory obligation,
- A workplace monitoring programme,
- Quantitative assessment of the risk analysis of certain tasks,
- A particular problem (accidental exposure),
- A comparison with occupational threshold limit values (TLV),
- A request issued by the labour inspectorate or company doctor,
- Determination or optimisation of collective and/or personal protective equipment.

3.2 Measurement strategy

Il est nécessaire, avant tout prélèvement, de préciser certains points:
- The choice (personal measurements, Similar Exposure Group (SEG) measurements) and resources (funding available, laboratories in the case of regulatory measurements, etc.) for conducting a quantitative assessment of an exposure situation,
- Consideration of the sampling situation (location, time, climatic conditions),
- Number of samples; at least 6 measurements for each HEG taken over several days is recommended to obtain a representative statistical result of potential exposure,
- The sampling period must take account of reference durations or doses,
- The recipients of results; before conducting the sampling, how the information will be sent to the various parties (employer, company doctor, staff representatives, personnel involved) must be clearly defined.
3.3 Choice of sampling methods and measuring devices

3.3.1 Sampling

The choice of sampling method and measuring device will depend on the type of hazard requiring quantitative assessment:

- Physical (noise, vibration, ionising radiation, temperature, etc.),
- Chemical (HCA/CMR, etc.),
- Biological (Legionnaires’ disease, etc.),
- Ergonomic (handling, artificial light, Video Display Units, etc.),
- Etc.

3.3.2 Measuring devices

A universal measuring device does not exist. Choice of device will depend on:

- The type of hazard to be measured,
- Measurement frequency,
- The measurement strategy decided on,
- The response time required (instantaneous, continuous, regulatory, etc. measurement),
- The concentration of the hazard to be measured.

The more information is available on the hazard, the easier it will be to take a measurement and define the appropriate equipment. For example:

For gases:

- Pumps and detector tubes: a sealed glass tube is filled with a granular material coated with an indicator that will react with a particular gas or vapour to give a colour change. This visible reaction is also proof that the gas or vapour to be measured is present. The concentration is read directly from the scale printed on the tube.

- Electrochemical sensors: the ambient air to be checked is diffused through a membrane into the liquid electrolyte of the sensor. The electrolyte contains a working electrode, counter electrode and reference electrode.

For noise:

- Sound level meter: a device used to record instantaneous measurements consisting of a microphone and electronic circuit. Measurements are taken at ear height. Used to identify the noisiest situations and locations in the workplace.

- Exposure meter: a device that records continuous measurements while the employee is working.

Devices are also available for other hazards:

- Dusts (pump),
- Light intensity (lux meter),
- Temperature,
- Ionising radiation (radiation detector, etc.),
- Vibration (accelerometer),
- Etc.
3.4 L’interprétation des résultats
Interpretation of results must take account of:

- The measurement objective,
- The task performed (exceptional, repetitive, work atmosphere, etc.),
- The sampling conditions (working hours, climatic conditions, etc.),
- Comparison references

3.5 Feedback of information to the personnel affected
The results of the measurements taken must be made available to relevant stakeholders (employer, HEG, employee, external companies if applicable, company doctor, staff representatives, administrative authorities in the case of regulatory inspections, etc.).

The results must be accompanied by explanations on the metrology described in the previous sections.

3.6 Processing and follow-up
All of the quantitative analysis is recorded.

It is used to:

- Update the HSE risk analysis,
- Adjust the prevention measures implemented,
- Update the DUER,
- Update the individual exposure prevention record (French acronym: FIPE).

All of these elements are communicated to the occupational health department and are used as the basis for informing personnel.

Biological exposure index (BEI)
Regulatory texts stipulate that the quantitative risk analysis is also conducted using BEIs. These are the responsibility of the company doctor.
Annex 10
Advice on choosing, deploying, maintaining and managing personal protective equipment

1. Purpose of the annex
This annex complements recognised official documentation. Its purpose is to help the employer choose, deploy, maintain and manage personal protective equipment (PPE) and to train their employees in its use. Personal protective equipment is the last defence against preventing damage to health or limiting the severity of that damage. It is a preventive measure that should be used when all other measures (elimination of the hazard, deployment of collective protection) prove insufficient or impossible to implement.

2. Definition
Personal protective equipment (PPE) consists of devices or items that are worn or held by a person in order to protect against one or more risks likely to threaten their health or safety. Wearing of PPE is designed to protect against any residual risk.

3. Choice of PPE
Different PPE categories
Category 1 PPE protects against minor risks which do not affect vital areas of the body and whose effects cannot cause irreversible lesions (e.g. work gloves, etc.).
A self-certification procedure is sufficient: a declaration through which the manufacturer or entity responsible for placing the product on the market confirms that their product is compliant with the provisions of the directive.

Category 2 PPE protects against serious dangers (mechanical, physical, chemical) which affect vital areas of the body and whose effects can cause irreversible lesions (e.g. protective helmet for industry, high visibility clothing, etc.).
This type of PPE is subject to an «EC type-examination» conducted by an authorised body: the approved inspection body establishes and certifies that the PPE model in question satisfies the relevant provisions of the directive.
Marking: the CE mark and year of manufacture must be affixed to this equipment.

Category 3 PPE protects against mortal danger. The «EC type-examination» is completed with a production inspection conducted by an authorised body (e.g. respiratory protection devices, PPE to protect against falls from height).
Marking: the CE mark, year of manufacture and number of the approved laboratory must be affixed to this equipment.
Choice of PPE

Following consultation with the health, safety and working conditions committee if there is one (other- 
wise with staff representatives), the employer determines the conditions under which personal protec-
tive equipment is made available and used, and particularly conditions governing the duration of its 
use.

They consider the severity of the risk, the frequency of exposure to the risk, the characteristics of each 
worker’s job, and the performance of the personal protective equipment in question.

They must comply with regulatory and/or normative requirements.

Other requirements must also be considered when selecting PPE:

- **Task requirements:**
  - Reduced interference with work duties and mobility,
  - Functional convenience,
  - Compatibility with other equipment used,
  - Non-interference with sense perceptions,
  - Etc.

- **Protection requirements:**
  - Effectiveness of protection,
  - Potential duration of protection,
  - Expiry date (implies manufacturer information),
  - Robustness,
  - Safety,
  - Etc.

- **Comfort requirements:**
  - Lightness,
  - Adaptation to morphology,
  - Perspiration permeability,
  - Thermal comfort,
  - Compactness,
  - Etc.

- **Information requirements:**
  - Level of protection provided,
  - Use restrictions,
  - Expiry date (implies manufacturer information),
  - Instructions for use,
  - Storage, maintenance, cleaning,
  - Etc.

Provision of PPE

The employer must provide and pay for PPE and work clothes. The employer is responsible for ensuring 
that they function correctly and for keeping them in a satisfactory hygienic condition through necessary 
maintenance, repair and replacement.

Periodic checks

Some types of equipment require periodic general checking. French ministerial decrees specify which 
PPE is affected. They also specify the frequency of checks and, in some cases, their nature and content. 
The purpose of checks is the timely detection of any defects likely to result in hazardous situations or any 
accessibility issues in breach of conditions on availability and use.

Periodic PPE checks must be conducted by qualified people either inside or outside the company.

The list of people authorised to check PPE is transmitted to the labour inspector. These people have the 
necessary competence to check the PPE in question. They also have the necessary competence to 
understand the corresponding regulatory provisions.
4. Maintenance/replacement of PPE

The employer is responsible for maintaining, repairing and checking PPE. It is the employee’s responsibility to ensure that the protection they wear is in good condition.

Protective equipment that has deteriorated for any reason whatsoever, including the occurrence of the risk it is designed to protect against, and whose repair is unlikely to guarantee the level of protection provided prior to its deterioration, is immediately replaced and scrapped.

In addition, some PPE has an expiry date (protective helmet, filter cartridges, etc.). It is therefore important to be vigilant and replace this equipment in good time.

For all activities with a risk of contamination by CMR agents (carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction), the employer must implement the following appropriate measures:

- Provide protective clothing or any other appropriate garments, place it in a specified location, check and clean it, if possible before and in all cases after each use, and repair or replace it if defective,
- Ensure that workers do not leave the establishment with personal protective equipment or work clothes,
- If personal protective equipment and clothing are serviced outside the company, the employer responsible for transporting and servicing them is informed of the possibility and type of contamination.

Instructions for use are provided with work clothes and PPE. They contain information specifying:

- Storage conditions,
- Conditions of use,
- Performance,
- Usage restrictions,
- Any relevant marking (also found on a label inside the clothing),
- Care conditions (also found on a label inside the clothing).

5. PPE monitoring

Monitoring technological developments

The employer conducts regulatory and technological monitoring of PPE so as to provide their employees with the best protection possible.

6. Traceability

The employer ensures traceability of PPE requiring maintenance, periodic checking or replacement as the result of an expiry date, etc.

The results of periodic checks are recorded in the company safety register, or if the checks are made by people outside the company, their reports are annexed to the register.
7. Information / Training
The employer must provide workers required to use PPE with appropriate information on:

- the risks PPE protects them against,
- PPE conditions of use, in particular the situations it is designed for,
- instructions related to PPE,
- the conditions under which PPE is provided.

This information must be updated as often as necessary so that equipment is used in compliance with its instructions for use.

Instructions for use must be drawn up by the employer. They must include comprehensible information on the risks the PPE provided protects relevant workers against, but must also include PPE conditions of use and best practices.

PPE instructions for use are provided to the CHSCT (or staff representatives as applicable).

In addition, documentation on the regulations applicable to the provision and use of PPE affecting the establishment’s workers must also be provided to it.

8. Employees/Users
In accordance with their training and abilities, each employee is responsible for looking after their health and safety and that of other people affected by their actions or omissions at work.

Refusal to wear the PPE provided to the employee is considered a serious breach of conduct.

As a result, the employee therefore has several obligations regarding the PPE provided:

- Use it correctly,
- Take care of it and ensure it is always effective,
- Inform the employer or their line manager of a situation that could seriously endanger the health and safety of the employee and the people in the company,
- Participate in any initiative to secure worker safety,
- Always check PPE conditions of use and its suitability for the tasks in question,
- Familiarise themselves with technical documentation on PPE use provided by manufacturers and the employer,
- Familiarise themselves with the rules provided by the CHSCT, company memos and general rules on PPE use.
1. Purpose of the annex
The purpose of this annex is to help the employer fit out their staff facilities. Prevention of damage to employee health also includes good personal hygiene and provision of appropriate staff facilities.

2. Definition
Staff facilities means the provision of:
- Changing rooms
- Sinks and appropriate accessories (soap, hand towels)
- Toilet cubicles
And if applicable:
- Showers
- Areas appropriate for eating meals

3. The employer’s obligations
The employer must therefore provide workers with the means to ensure their personal cleanliness through the installation and maintenance of staff facilities.
Installation rules

Changing rooms/Washrooms
Communal changing rooms and sinks are installed in a specific room of a suitable size, separate from work and storage areas, and placed in a location that workers can easily access.
If changing rooms and sinks are installed in separate rooms, it must be possible to pass from one to the other without crossing work or storage areas and without going outside.
In establishments where dirty work is carried out, showers must be provided to workers. The water temperature of the showers must be adjustable.
In establishments employing men and women, separate installations must be provided for male and female workers.
At least one toilet cubicle and one urinal must be provided for every 20 men and two cubicles for every 20 women. The workforce taken into account is the maximum number of workers present in the establishment at the same time. At least one cubicle must also contain a sink.
In establishments employing men and women, separate toilet cubicles must be provided for male and female workers. Toilet cubicles for women must include a container for sanitary products.

Eating area
Workers cannot be allowed to take their meals in areas assigned for work.
In establishments where at least 25 workers wish to regularly take their meals in the workplace, the employer, after seeking the opinion of the CHSCT or staff representatives as applicable, must provide them with a canteen facility. The facility must be equipped with sufficient numbers of seats and tables for ten users and include a tap providing hot water and cold drinking water. It must have a means of conserving or refrigerating foods and drinks, and equipment for reheating dishes.
In establishments where fewer than 25 workers wish to regularly take their meals in the workplace, the employer must provide them with an area where they can eat in without compromising their health and safety. Subject to authorisation from the labour inspector and after seeking the opinion of the company doctor, this facility may be located in areas assigned for work, provided that the activity does not include the use of hazardous substances or preparations.

Upkeep of facilities
The workplace and its facilities must be regularly serviced and cleaned. They must be kept free of clutter.
The company doctor and CHSCT or staff representatives, as appropriate, give an opinion on the measures required to satisfy these obligations.
The floor and walls of the areas used for communal changing rooms, showers and sinks must be easy to clean.
These areas must be kept clean at all times.
The floors and walls of toilet cubicles must be made from impermeable materials for ease of cleaning.
The employer must ensure that the toilet cubicles and urinals are cleaned and disinfected at least once a day.
The employer must ensure that the canteen facilities or eating area and the equipment they contain are cleaned after each meal.

Provision of facilities for a supplier company
A contractual document (contract, PDP, PGC, etc.) stipulates how upkeep charges are distributed between supplier companies whose workers use the areas and facilities provided by the customer.
The usage rules applicable to the areas and facilities provided are explained to personnel when they visit the workplace.
ACCIDENT
Any event occurring in the workplace or as a result of work carried out which results in damage (to people, and/or property, and/or to the environment, etc.).

ACCREDITATION
Issued by an employer on the basis of certain criteria (training, occupational skills, etc.) allowing the employee to perform a given task.

ACTION PLAN
Tool used to monitor actions (corrective, preventive, regulatory, etc.), containing the following headings as a minimum requirement: description, origin, nominated person responsible, deadline, monitoring or progress status, effectiveness measurement.

ASSESSMENT
Estimate of the efficiency and conformity of the actual system put in place.

AUDIT
The audit is a systematic, objective examination conducted on the basis of a reference guide. It is used to establish observations from the points audited (inventory) in order to identify nonconformities, offer guidance on improvement and highlight good practices / positive points.

AUTHORISATION TO OPERATE
Issued by the employer, in particular for operating handling equipment and machinery. Appropriate training of personnel is necessary. It must be enhanced and updated whenever the need arises.
As a minimum requirement, authorisation to operate must be issued by the employer for the following types of machinery:
- Rider-operated material handling trucks,
- Tower cranes,
- Mobile cranes,
Remotely controlled or rider-operated site machinery,
Mobile elevating working platforms,
Truck-mounted auxiliary cranes.

Authorisation is granted if:
- the company doctor has issued the driver with a medical fitness certificate
- the driver has acquired the knowledge and skills necessary through:
  - testing of the knowledge and know-how required to safely operate the machine
  - knowledge of the workplaces and instructions to be complied with on the site(s) of use

This principle can be extended to different tools and machines in the company as required by the employer.

Not to be confused with accreditation (electrical for example).

**AUTHORISATION TO WORK**
Document dated and signed by the accredited people setting out HSE risks, prevention measures and authorising execution of work in a specific location (= permit to work).

**BUDDY SYSTEM**
See «TUTOR».

**CERTIFICATION PERIMETER**
Office or agency affected by certification.

**CO-CONTRACTING**
Several companies which draw up a legal arrangement to jointly fulfill the same order.

**COMPANY**
Public or private structure through which an economic activity is exercised using human resources (employees, temporary staff or subcontractors), premises and appropriate equipment.

**COMPANY HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENT (HSE) CULTURE**
The HSE culture is all of the HSE values, practices and methods common to all members of a company or organisation.

**COMPANY MANUAL**
Set of documents listing the provisions implemented to comply with the requirements of a reference guide.

**COMPANY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT MANUAL**
Complete document containing the «Reference guide».
COMPANY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (PASE)
Set of documents listing the provisions implemented by the employer to comply with the requirements of the MASE reference guide; see also HSE manual.

COMPETENCE
Use of validated know-how in a complex professional situation, with a view to attaining a result or requirement.

CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT
Regular process used to improve the overall performance of the management system in line with the company’s policy.

CORRECTIVE ACTION
Action undertaken to eliminate the causes of an existing nonconformity in order to prevent recurrence.

CPE
Collective protective equipment.

DELEGATION OF POWER
Delegation of power is a legal act through which an authority (the delegant) relinquishes all or part of the powers assigned to them and transfers them to a subordinate authority (the delegatee).

DOCUMENT REVIEW
Detailed analysis of all the documents defining the management system in place.

EFFECTIVENESS
An action (or system) producing the effect required or the result expected.
The management system is considered effective if risks are controlled, results improve consistently and the management system continues to develop within the company.
Effectiveness leads to efficiency.

EFFICIENCY
Efficiency is the implementation of attainable and appropriate actions that take account of economic realities while remaining effective.

EMPLOYEES (permanent and temporary personnel)
The employee is a person who undertakes to perform a job, either full-time or part-time, on behalf of an employer and in return for a salary or wage.
EMPLOYER
Person who employs salaried personnel.

ENVIRONMENT
The surroundings (air, water, soil) in which an organism (flora and fauna) develops. The interaction of humans with this environment can have positive or negative consequences.

EXPOSURE
Act of subjecting an individual to an identified risk.

FREQUENCY RATE
FREQUENCY RATE 1 (or FR1):
Number of lost-time accidents per million hours worked.
E.g.: 5 lost-time accidents for 120,000 hours worked.
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TF1 = \frac{5 \times 1,000,000}{120,000} = 41.6
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FREQUENCY RATE 2 (or FR2):
Number of declared lost-time and non-lost-time accidents per million hours worked.

FREQUENCY RATE 3 (or FR3):
Number of declared lost-time and non-lost-time accidents and those requiring first aid per million hours worked.

SEVERITY RATE
Number of lost-time days per thousand hours worked.
E.g.: 132 lost-time days for 120,000 hours worked.
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SR = \frac{132 \times 1000}{120,000} = 1.1
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These four indicators are used to report the frequency and severity of accidents. They must appear each year in the company’s social responsibility audit and the CHSCT report.

GUIDANCE ON PROGRESS
Suggestions that may be made to help the employer improve their system.

HAZARD
The intrinsic property of an element capable of compromising the physical integrity or health of people, or of threatening the safety of facilities or the environment.

HAZARDOUS SITUATION
Situation in which damage is possible as a result of one or more hazardous phenomena.
HEALTH
Preservation of physical and psychological well-being in the short term (safety), medium and long-term (hygiene).

HEALTH, SAFETY AND WORKING CONDITIONS COMMITTEE
The CHSCT is a staff representation body in companies with more than 50 employees.

SEG
A similar exposure group (SEG) is a set of people, jobs or work functions which are estimated to experience exposure of the same type and of similar intensity. Each employee must be included in one or more HEGs.

HIRED MACHINERY OPERATOR
A service provider who offers hire of «machinery with operator».
The machinery operator must be covered by a PPSPS or PDP.

HOURS WORKED
Total hours worked is the sum of the hours actually worked by employees.

HYGIENE
Industrial hygiene is the discipline of anticipating, recognising, assessing and controlling dangers to health in the work environment with the objective of protecting employee health in the medium and long term.

INDICATORS
An indicator is a chosen and objective item of information used to periodically observe developments in relation to the targets set (see Annex 3 «Advice on choosing indicators»).

INDIVIDUAL REVIEW
Used to both determine whether the targets set (work, HSE, etc.) have been achieved, and to set new ones for the coming year.
It can be used to identify additional training needs (at the request of the employee or employer).
It is used to determine any job-related modifications.
Regardless of its content, it is essential not to leave things unspoken. It is an opportunity for open discussion.

INDUCTION
Training session for personnel on risk and associated rules and instructions.
Training is delivered when personnel are hired and whenever necessary (change of job, changes in techniques, manufacturing processes, work instructions, regulations and corporate organisation).
INFORMATION
Items passed up or down the company chain of command necessary for understanding (poster, talk, email, safety toolbox talks, etc.).

INSTRUCTION
Internal memo that helps define good practices and/or ways of operating.

LESSONS LEARNED
The lessons learned process is a systematic and rigorous analysis of an incident in order to draw lessons from it for the future.

LIST OF JOBS EXPOSED TO SPECIFIC RISKS
The list of jobs exposed to specific risks is drawn up by the employer and specifies the jobs presenting specific risks for employee health and safety.
Casual staff (on fixed term contracts and temporary personnel) working in a job involving specific risks are given enhanced training.

MAJOR NONCONFORMITY
A major nonconformity is a nonconformity in relation to the reference guide that could endanger the system in place, its organisation, application and effectiveness.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Group of people responsible for implementing and coordinating the company’s management system.

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
The totality of the global organisational structure (responsibilities, procedures and resources) used to manage the health, safety and environmental risks associated with the organisation’s activities.

MASE
«Company Safety Improvement Manual». A reference guide that can be used by the company to set up its management system.
Name of associations whose remit is to promote and improve health, safety and protection of the environment in companies.

MASE/UIC COMMON SYSTEM CERTIFICATION
Recognition of the HSE management system by one of the MASE associations.

MECHANISM
Set of measures to attain a target.
MINOR NONCONFORMITY
A minor nonconformity is a deviation that does not prevent the system from functioning but could impinge on its effectiveness.

NEAR MISS
Any event occurring in the workplace or as a result of work carried out which could have resulted in damage (to people, and/or property, and/or to the environment, etc.).

NONCONFORMITY
See major nonconformity.

OBSERVATION
Comment that may be similar to guidance on progress.

OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE
A disease is «occupational» if it is the direct consequence of a worker’s exposure to a physical, chemical or biological risk, or results from the conditions in which they exercise their occupational activity. To be recognised, the disease must appear in one of the tables annexed to the French Social Security Code (created and modified by decree).

PERMANENT EMPLOYEE
Employees on fixed-term contracts are known as permanent employees.

PERMIT TO WORK
See «AUTHORISATION TO WORK».

PLANNING
Programming of actions or tasks to be performed in order to attain a target or result.

POLICY
Formalised declaration by the employer describing the fundamental commitments of the company’s management system.

PPE
Personal protective equipment.

PREVENTION
Set of measures taken to anticipate / prevent potential risks.
PREVENTION PLAN
The PDP is a process for analysing multi-source and coactive risks which must be implemented by the head of the user company (the entity commissioning the work) together with the management of external companies (those doing the work) carrying out one or more operations. It must be drawn up in writing for all hazardous works (list defined by French decree of 19 March 1993) or if the duration of the operation is greater than 400 hours over a 12-month period.

PREVENTIVE ACTION
Action undertaken to eliminate the causes of a potential nonconformity in order to prevent occurrence.

PROCEDURE
For a given activity, a document setting out the means to be used, the measures to be implemented and the checks to be made in order to attain the expected result.

RECORD
Document reporting a result obtained or providing proof of a completed action.

RE-EXAMINATION
Process identifying nonconformity between regulatory changes applicable to the company and what it actually applies.

REFERENCE GUIDE
One of the components of the Company Safety Improvement Manual: it contains requirements and associated questions.

RELEVANCE OF THE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
The management system put in place by the employer is considered to be relevant if it is coherent and appropriate to the needs of the company.

RESIDUAL RISK
Risk that is still present when prevention measures have been implemented.

RISK
Risk is the probability of a hazard causing an impact when there is exposure to that hazard (Risk = Hazard x Exposure).

RISK ASSESSMENT AND ACTION PLAN
The occupational risk assessment and action plan (DUER) is a document containing a written transcription of the company’s risk assessment results.
SAFETY

Safety is the discipline of anticipating, recognising, assessing and controlling hazards to health in the work environment with the objective of protecting employee health in the short term and the well-being and protection of the community as a whole.

SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION COORDINATION

This is an obligation of the client for construction and public works activities. The purpose of safety and health protection coordination, for all construction or civil engineering sites where several contractors or self-employed trades are working, is to prevent risks resulting from their joint activity and to plan the use of common resources. To this end, the client appoints a safety and health protection coordinator, whose roles, duties and responsibilities are defined in the French Labour Code.

SAFETY PROTOCOL

Used for loading or unloading activities.

The safety protocol is a written document drawn up between the host company and the haulier. It includes all information resulting from the prior analysis of risks inherent to the operation.

SCOPE

All the company’s activities covered by MASE/UIC common system certification.

SPECIFIC SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION PLAN

Specific safety and health protection plan (PPSPS): drawn up by a company working on a closed and independent construction or civil engineering worksite on the basis of the general coordination plan (PGC).

SPONSOR

See «TUTOR».

STEERING COMMITTEE

The steering committee (COPIL) is a body within the association. It performs a variety of tasks (certification, meetings, representation, etc.). Its members meet specified eligibility conditions and are appointed by the board of directors.

SUBCONTRACTING

Subcontracting is the performance of a service awarded by contract to another company (known as the subcontractor). Various types of subcontracting exist.

CONTRACTOR

A company that provides services (supplier), a company considered to be external to the client, the user company.
TALK
A talk is a planned and regularly organised meeting examining specific themes.

TARGET
General goal that the company sets in line with its policy.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE
Temporary work is the result of a temporary employment contract drawn up solely for the performance of a specific and temporary task, known as the assignment, and only in the scenarios allowed by law. Employees on temporary employment contracts or fixed-term contracts are known as temporary employees. Regardless of the reason for which it is drawn up, such a contract cannot have either the purpose or effect of permanently filling a post linked to the regular and permanent activity of the user company.

TRAINING
Training is the learning process which allows an individual to acquire the knowledge and know-how (skills and expertise) necessary to exercise a trade or professional activity.

TUTOR (sponsor)
The tutor is an experienced employee (job and HSE knowledge) who facilitates the integration of a person (permanent contract, fixed-term contract, temporary employee, intern, employee in new post) into the company.

CLIENT
Contracting party / outsourcer (client).

WORK DOCUMENTS
Set of documents required to perform an action (sequence of operations, procedures, orders, drawings, diagrams, work instructions, etc.).

WORK INSTRUCTIONS
Work instructions are a list of all the operations that must be carried out to complete a specific task.

WORKSHOP
A place or building where workers operate with rules specific to their profession.

WORKSITE
Operation outside the company’s premises - construction, operation or demolition site, or a place where various materials are stored.
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