



审核期间的注意事项：

- Verification of the new requirements in the audits conducted after publication.
- There is no significant impact on the effectiveness of the certified MS.
- There is no change in the scope of application for the certified MS.
- The publication year of each MSS will not change.
- A new certificate will not be issued.

**Further Information:**

Amendments to management system standards without impact on accredited scope - DAkkS - Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle



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### What is expected of the organization?

The inclusion of the new text in 4.1 requires you as an organization to consider climate change to determine whether there are any relevant issues that need to be addressed. The note in 4.2 is a reminder that there may be current or potential future requirements related to climate change that may be requested by customers and other relevant interested parties.

### Which areas of the company can the topic affect?

The topic of climate change can be relevant to various areas of the management system, e.g. environment, health and safety, energy, finance or other aspects of an organization's activities.

### How could the topic be audited in the audit?

The auditors will ask whether you as an organization have checked whether climate change is a relevant issue for you. For example, they may look at whether the requirements for climate change meet the applicable legal and regulatory requirements for your products and/or services and whether contractual requirements are met.

### What aspects do I need to consider within the context (4.1)?

The aspects that a company must consider in the valuation depend on the type of company as well as its size, complexity, etc.

The following aspects can be taken into account:

- Changes to legal or regulatory requirements, e.g. restrictions on the use of certain materials, product recycling, product life cycle, product origin, information, etc.
- Use of renewable materials.
- Availability or difficulties in the distribution of products and / or DL due to more frequent storms, floods, fires, droughts, etc.
- Assessment of the supply chain in climate change issues.
- Market development in relation to the sustainability of products and services.

### What requirements could relevant interested parties have in relation to climate change?

The requirements can vary greatly depending on the type of company.

Here are some examples:

- Legal and regulatory requirements, environmental or climate protection requirements for the product or service offered, as well as requirements that affect the organization's ability to offer this product or service.
- customer requirements with regard to climate change, zero emissions or carbon neutrality of products.
- Requirements for product information on climate change aspects (sustainability of origin, reuse, recyclability, end

of life, embedded carbon, greenwashing labelling, etc.), including product claims, and related legal, statutory and other requirements.

- Changes in industry regulations and standards related to climate change.
- Permits, licenses or other forms of environmental authorizations.
- Climate change-related requirements for processes such as packaging, production, maintenance, logistics, etc.

### Does this change the scope of my company?

The scope of application may change if a company's location changes as a result of the assessment, or if there are changes to the products or services offered.

### Do the changes have any further impact on the management system?

There is no general answer to this question, as it depends on how relevant climate change is to the company.

Depending on the assessment and the resulting measures, changes may occur in areas such as risks and opportunities, resources, the operation of the organization, communication and information for customers, externally provided products and services, performance evaluation and improvement, management assessment and much more.



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