

DEFINITIONS OF QUALITY SYSTEM CATEGORIES

Group I - Quality System Requirements to ISO 9001:1994

(Quality Systems - Model for quality assurance in design, development, production, installation and servicing.)

This ISO Standard specifies the Quality System that shall be applied when the technical requirements of goods are specified principally in terms of the performance required and where design has not been established. In these circumstances, the supplier is frequently responsible for design, development, manufacture, installation work and field testing.

The supplier shall establish, document, and maintain an effective Quality System to ensure and demonstrate that goods conform to the specified requirements whether provided by the supplier or procured from sub-tiers. The documented Quality System shall include quality management objectives, policies, organization and procedures to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of ISO 9001.

Group II - Quality System Requirements to ISO 9002:1994

(Quality Systems - Model for quality assurance in production and installation.)

This ISO Standard specifies the Quality System that shall be applied when the technical requirements of goods are specified in terms of established design and where conformance to specified requirements can be ensured primarily by process control and associated inspection and tests during manufacture and, as appropriate, installation.

The supplier shall establish, document and maintain an inspection system capable of producing objective evidence (i.e., documentation) that goods conform to the specified requirements, whether manufactured or processed by the supplier or procured from sub-tiers thereof. The supplier shall ensure that essential inspection requirements are determined and satisfied through all phases of the work.

Group III - Quality System Requirements

The Quality System requirements for Group III shall be applied when conformance to specified requirements of items can be adequately established by inspection and tests conducted on the finished goods. The supplier shall perform, or be responsible for the performance of, the final inspection and test necessary to substantiate that goods offered for acceptance conform to the specified requirements.

Group IV - Industry Standard

This applies to procurements for material or equipment that only need quality requirements consistent with standard industry practices.