



Conditions for use of GSC Mark

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This document becomes a part of a legally enforceable agreement. By signing the contract a client deemed to have agreed to the terms and conditions mentioned below.

1 Certification Conditions

1.1 Introduction

The Client shall comply with the following conditions governing the use of the Certificate of Quality Approval and mark/symbol of the GSC

1.2 Use of Certificate of Quality Approval

- (a) The certificate shall remain the property of the GSC.
- (b) Certificates are valid for three years from the date of the certificate issue, subject to satisfactory annual surveillance assessments.
- (c) Certificates are not transferable.
- (d) The certificate shall only be displayed at the location applicable to the certificated scope of supply.
- (e) The certificate shall not be used to imply certification of any location other than that detailed on the certificate.
- (f) The certificate shall not be used in any way to imply product approval.
- (g) The certified client must advise the GSC of any changes which may affect the scope of supply.
- (h) The certified client shall inform the GSC, without delay, of matters that may affect the capability of the management system to continue to fulfil the requirements of the standard used for certification. These include, for example, changes relating to:-
 - a) The legal, commercial, organisational status or ownership,
 - b) Organisation and management (e.g. key managerial, decision-making or technical staff),
 - c) Contact address and sites,
 - d) Scope of operations under the certified management system, and
 - e) Major changes to the management system and processes.
- (i) If the Client changes their operating site then GSC shall conduct a surveillance visit to check the Quality Management System fulfils the requirements of ISO 9001.

1.3 Use of GSC Certification / Accredited Mark as given by GSC along with certificate through email.

- a. The mark shall always be used on certificates issued in conjunction with the Client's name and have the certificate number adjacent to it.
- b. The mark may be used on stationery, such as headed letter paper and advertising brochures, and only in connection with the International Standard scope (e.g QMS or EMS etc) of supply listed on the certificate.
- c. The mark shall not be used on flags, buildings, vehicles, packaging, directly on products, nor on promotional products such as calendars, diaries, coasters, etc.
- d. The mark shall not be used in any way to imply product approval, nor on documentation such as test certificates and certificates of conformity.



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- e. The certified Client shall, upon reasonable notice, discontinue any use of the mark which is considered to be unacceptable to the GSC.
- f. The mark may be reproduced in any size provided the configuration is strictly adhered to, including the surrounding frame.
- Upon suspension of the accreditation, the certified body (The client) shall immediately cease to use its stationery and other publicity material that has the accreditation logo on it. The use can be restarted only after the suspension is revoked by the GSC.
- Upon termination of the certification the certified body (The client) shall immediately cease to use its stationery and other publicity material that has the certification logo on them.

1.4 Use of the GSC Certification unaccredited Logo

Use the unaccredited logo provided by GSC along with certificate through email ;

- (a) The symbol shall never be used in conjunction with the accreditation body logo
- (b) Rough The symbol shall always be used in conjunction with the client's name.
- (c) The symbol may be used on stationery, such as headed letter paper, advertising brochures, test certificates and certificates of conformity and only in connection with the International Quality System Standard and scope of supply listed on the certificate.
- (d) The symbol may be used on vehicles, buildings or flags which bear the name or emblem of the client.
- (e) The symbol shall not be used in any way to imply product approval.
- (f) The certified client shall, upon reasonable notice, discontinue any use of the symbol which is considered to be unacceptable to the GSC.
- (g) Upon termination of the certification, for any kind of reason, the client shall discontinue all use of the symbol immediately.

The same conditions of logo usage shall apply in case of unaccredited certificates also.

1.5 Failure to Comply with the Certification Conditions

Suspension and withdrawal of certificate approval

If the Client/certificate holder fails to maintain compliance with the requirements of standard such as e.g ISO 9001, those requirements are detailed in Certification Conditions Document and those commercial and operating requirements of the certification are as follows:

- The client/certificate holder is formally informed in writing/fax/phone/email about the failure of compliance to the above conditions and asked to detail corrective action.
- If the client refuses to respond to correct the non-compliance to the above conditions then the GSC scheme manager shall contact client and inform client that the certificate may be suspended initially for 6 months and after 6 months if the situation remain unchanged the certificate will be cancelled and the client will be required to return the certificate and cease to use and distribute any literature, stationery, etc., referencing the certificate of GSC mark/symbol.



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- If the period of surveillance exceeds the contracted period from completion of the stage 2 audit (6m, 9m, 12m.) or the recertification exceeded the three years period the rules of suspension will be applied.

Special Audits

- **Extension to scope** – GSC shall review the application for extension to the scope of certification and shall determine the need of any audit activities. Depending on the complexity of there change this may require a special visit or may be conducted in conjunction with a surveillance audit.
- **Reduction of scope of certification** – GSC shall review the extent of reduction of scope of certification and the Scheme Manager will determine the need of any audit activities. GSC shall contact the client and ask him to return the certificate and then re-issue a certificate with the reduced scope.
- **Short-notice audits** – GSC reserve the right to conduct short notice audits on certified clients to investigate complaints, in response to changes or as per follow up on suspended clients.

Approved By, CEO