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**[Common 1] Concerning the general guidance on a third-party certification system for products: JIS Q 1001**

No.	No. of Guideline Item	Content of the guidance on certification	Question	Applicable Interpretation
1	Clause 5	Application for certification	Is it possible for an applicant to make a blanket application for certification of its subsidiaries' factories which have different quality control systems, as the applicant's manufacturing factories?	<p>A blanket application for multiple factories is subject to the Second Frame of the clause 3.3 of the Explication of JIS Q 1001.</p> <p>In order to be applied and certified in the block, the factories are required to have an integrated quality system in common, i.e. "the target products are produced under the overall control."</p> <p>Further, in case of such blanket certification, it will happen that "when a serious nonconformity arises in one factory, the suspension or withdrawal of certification shall apply to all the relevant factories."</p> <p>In view of the foregoing, it shall be determined by registered certification body what sort of applications will be granted with certification.</p>
2	Subclause 6.2.2	Utilization of the result of quality management system, etc.	In making an application at criterion (A) of the quality control system, is it possible to utilize the result of the registration of the applicant's quality system (ISO 9001)?	<p>No, it is not possible.</p> <p>However, in case of an application at criterion (B) of the quality control system and if registered certification body determines it appropriate, the applicant can utilize the result of the registration of its quality system (ISO 9001).</p>
3	Clause 10	Issuance of Certificate	Is it acceptable to post a color copy of the Certificate around the reception counter near the entrance or in the president's office, etc.?	<p>Yes, but the licensee is required to have established a system for controlling the original and copies of the Certificate.</p>

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4	Subclause 12.2 list a)	<p>Extra-ordinary certification maintenance surveillance</p> <p>[When the licensee alters or adds the specification of the industrial and mineral products, etc. of which the certification is being performed, or tries to change the quality control system, the factory audit specified in 12.1.1 and the product tests specified in 12.1.2 shall be performed by the time when the alteration or addition concerned is performed.]</p>	<p>In this case, is it prohibited to indicate the JIS Mark, etc. until factory audit and product tests have been finished and the certification has been determined?</p>	<p>Registered certification body shall determine it after confirming the impact of the change in the production conditions on quality of the final product.</p>
5	Annex 2	<p>As qualification requirement for a quality control manager, the item “□” (2) of Clause 5 of Annex 2(Criteria of quality control system) provides for that</p> <p>[The quality control manager shall be</p> <p>...the person who is recognized to be a person with expertise in standardization and quality control by studying and graduating the course of</p> <p>...the subject on quality control in the course</p> <p>...or the school equivalent</p> <p>...by finishing the course of the lecture class of the subject on standardization and quality control corresponding to this.</p>	<p>A guideline is necessary with regard to “the course of the lecture class of the subject on standardization and quality control corresponding to this”</p>	<p>It is necessary to pass through a 60-hours training course which is based on the “criteria of training sessions for the purpose of training quality control managers” as publicized on the Website of the JIS Certification Bodies Association.</p> <p>However, in case a person has passed through a subject corresponding to the same in other training sessions or similar and the evidence demonstrating the same is confirmed, the hours of such training sessions or similar may be counted as part of the required 60 hours depending on the determination by a registered certification body.</p>