

Specialty Technical Publishers and AECOM Publish Environmental, Health & Safety (EHS) Audit Protocol for Brazil (and the State of São Paulo)

Latest EHS Regulations Updates Assist Companies to Achieve EHS Compliance

North Vancouver, B.C., Canada ([PRWEB](#)) August 27, 2014 -- Specialty Technical Publishers (STP) and AECOM announce the availability of the newly updated International Audit Protocol Consortium (IAPC) EHS audit protocol for Brazil (and the State of São Paulo). Leading companies around the world use IAPC EHS audit protocols to understand the scope of their EHS regulatory obligations and rapidly collect, share, archive, and export audit findings in a cost-effective manner.

IAPC EHS Audit Protocols are prepared by AECOM in partnership with STP and focus on those national (plus, in some cases, regional or provincial) EHS requirements that have site-specific application for manufacturing operations. With a leading global EHS management consulting practice, AECOM has in-depth knowledge of local/regional EHS requirements and a worldwide technical expertise network.

STP and AECOM maintain leading-edge EHS audit protocols for more than 30 jurisdictions. The protocol documents are written in English and are available on CD-ROM in MS Word, Adobe Acrobat and Excel formats, as well as through STP's web-based portal or can be integrated into an existing company platform. Using the protocols' custom templates and advanced functionality features, auditors can easily track audit findings and manage data over time to improve compliance, risk performance and safety management. In addition, STP's formatting is compatible with leading risk management and sustainability platform providers.

Highlights of selected legislation covered in the newly updated protocol include:

- “IBAMA Normative Instruction No. 6 of March 15, 2013” and “IBAMA Normative Instruction No. 3 of February 28, 2014” establish registration and reporting provisions (via the Federal Technical Register of Instruments for Environmental Defense) for companies that conduct potentially polluting activities or that use natural resources. These Instructions repealed and replaced “IBAMA Normative Instruction No. 31 of December 3, 2009.” In addition, “SMA Resolution No. 94 of December 6, 2012 of the State of São Paulo” establishes procedures for a facility to register in the State Technical Registry of Potentially Polluting Activities or Use of Environmental Resources and submit the Annual Report of Activities.
- “Decree No. 59,113 of April 23, 2013 of the State of São Paulo” sets forth requirements for facilities to reduce air emissions in response to air quality declarations issued by the State. It establishes three levels of declarations: “Attention Level” (Nível de Atenção), “Alert Level” (Nível de Alerta) and “Emergency Level” (Nível de Emergência) in relation to emissions of particulate matter, nitrogen dioxide and/or sulfur dioxide.
- The Second Edition of “Norm NBR 17505 Storage of Flammable and Combustible Liquid, for Storage of Combustibles” was issued on February 7, 2013 by the Brazilian Association of Technical Norms (ABNT), and provides requirements for storage of flammable and combustible liquids.
- “Regulatory Norm 13, Boilers and Pressure Vessels and Pipes” was reissued by “Ordinance No. 594 of April 28, 2014.” It replaces the previous version last amended in 2008 and adds requirements for pipe and piping systems associated with boilers and pressure vessels, including safety devices, safe conditions of use, and inspections of pipes.
- Three Norms published by ABNT related to the transport of dangerous goods were reissued in 2012-2013, including: “NBR-9735, Emergency Equipment for Transportation of Dangerous Goods” (Seventh Edition), “NBR-7500, Symbols for Road Transportation, Handling and Storage of Dangerous Goods” (Eighth Edition)

Edition); and “NBR-7503, Emergency Sheet and Transportation Envelope for Road Transportation of Dangerous Goods” (Seventh Edition). These Norms cover equipment that must be used in emergency situations during the transportation of dangerous goods; markings to be used during the transportation by road, handling, and storage of dangerous goods; and requirements for the emergency card (“ficha de emergência”) and the transport envelope (“envelope para transporte terrestre de produtos perigosos”) to be used when transporting dangerous goods by road.

- “CNEN Resolution No. 145 of March 20, 2013” establishes safety and radiological protection standards for the operation of facilities using industrial radiography, including: licensing; provision of trained/certified technicians; development of a Radiation Protection Plan; record keeping and reporting; medical examinations; and worker exposure monitoring.

For more information on all International EHS audit protocols offered by STP and AECOM, click [here](#).

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