

Specialty Technical Publishers (STP) and Specialty Technical Consultants (STC) Publish Environmental, Health & Safety (EHS) Audit Protocol for Germany

Latest EHS Regulations Updates Assist Companies to Achieve EHS Compliance

North Vancouver, B.C., Canada (<u>PRWEB</u>) May 17, 2016 -- Specialty Technical Publishers (STP) and Specialty Technical Consultants (STC) announce the availability of the newly updated International Audit Protocol Consortium (IAPC) EHS audit protocol for Germany. 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 now prepared by STC in partnership with STP and continue to focus on those national (plus, in some cases, regional or provincial) EHS requirements that have site-specific application for manufacturing operations. As a leading EHS management consulting firm with a global network of experienced EHS teaming partners, STC has indepth knowledge and technical expertise of local/regional EHS requirements.

STP and STC 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 management and safety performance. 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:

• "Requirements of the Directive (EC) No 2012/27 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on Energy Efficiency, amending Directives (EC) No 2009/125 and 2010/30, repealing Directives No 2004/8 and 2006/32, and Act on Energy Services and Other Energy Efficiency Measures (Gesetz über Energiedienstleistungen und andere Energieeffizienzmaßnahmen - EDL-G)" related to conducting energy audits were added to this protocol update.

"Regulation (EU) No 517/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases and Repealing Regulation (EC) No 842/2006" was added to this update. This "Regulation" establishes rules on containment, use, recovery and destruction of fluorinated greenhouse gases and on related ancillary measures. It also imposes conditions on specific uses of fluorinated greenhouse gases. This "Regulation" repealed "Regulation (EC) No 842/2006" with effect from 1 January 2015. At the time of this update (March 2016), this "Regulation" had not yet been transposed into the relevant National legislation which references "Regulation (EC) No 842/2006;" therefore, both regulations are binding in Germany.
The "Ordinance on Permission of Waste Transportation, (Beförderungserlaubnisverordnung - BefErlV)" was repealed and replaced on 1 May 2014 by the "Regulation on the Display and Permit System for Collectors, Transporters, Dealers and Brokers of Waste (display and permit regulation - AbfAEV)." This "Regulation" details the permit system for transport of wastes.

• "Requirements of the Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances 509, (TRGS 509)" were added to this update. These Technical Rules contain requirements for storage of hazardous substances in stationary storage tanks and for filling and emptying installations for mobile storage containers.

• "Requirements of the Technical Rules for Workplaces - Break Rooms, ASR A4.2, (ASR A4.2)," were added to this update. These Technical Rules cover the setting and operation of break rooms for employees.



• As of 1 May 2014, "Accident Prevention Regulations (BGV), Rules (BGR) and Guidelines (BGI)" were renamed according to a new nomenclature system, "DGUV." The re-naming is the result of efforts to harmonize different nomenclatures, depending on the worker's OH organization in charge. "BGVs" were renamed "DGUV-V," "BGRs" became "DGUV-R" and "BGIs" became "DGUV-I," with the related numbers changing according to the new systematic. This Protocol uses both the old and the new nomenclature (e.g. "500BGR 500 / DGUV-R 100-500)". For this update, the following regulations were re-named:

o "Accident Prevention Regulation A1, (BGV A1 / DGUV-V 1)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation B2, (BGV B2/DGUV-V11)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation A3, (BGV A3 / DGUV-V 3)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation C22, (BGV C22 / DGUV-V 38)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation D6, (52BGV D6 / DGUV-V 52)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation D8, (BGV D8 / DGUV-V 54)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation D27, (BGV D27 / DGUV-V 68)"

o "Accident Prevention Regulation D29, (BGV D29 / DGUV-V 70)"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. BGR 117-1, Work in Containers, Silos and Confined Spaces, (BGR 117-1 /DGUV-R 113-004"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. BGR 190 on Respiratory Protection Equipment, (BGR 190/ DGUV-R 112-190)"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. BGR 121 on Ventilation of Workplaces, (BGR 121/ DGUV-109-002)"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. BGR 233 on Loading Bridges and Mobile Ramps, (BGR 233 / DGUV-R 108-006"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. 234 on Storage Devices and Storage Equipment (BGR 234 / DGUV-R108-007)"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. BGR 500 on Operation of Work Equipment (BGR 500 / DGUV-R 100-500)"

o "Accident Prevention Rules No. 198 on Personal Protective Equipment for Fall Protection (BGR 198 /DGUV-R 112-198"

o "Guideline No. BGI 511-1 on Documentation of First Aid Activities, (BGI 511-1 / DGUV-I 204-020)"

o "Guideline No. BGI 534 on Confined Space Entry, (BGI 534 / DGUV-I 213-001)"

o "Guideline No. 550 on Vehicle Maintenance, (BGI 550 / DGUV-I 113-004)"

o "Guideline No. BGI 608 on Selection and Operation of Electrical Systems and Equipment on Construction and Assembly Sites, (BGI 608 / DGUV-I 203-006)"

o "Guideline No. BGI 694 on Ladders and Steps, (BGI 694 / DGUV-I 208-016"

o "Guideline No. BGI 865 on Requirements for Independent Contractors, (BGI 865 / DGUV-I 215-830)"

o "Guideline No. BGI 873 on Man-Made Fiber Flat Slings and Ropes, (BGI 873 / DGUV-I 209-061)".

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