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General guidelines on implementation**

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## SCOPE

This International Standard provides guidance for an organization for establishment, implementation, maintenance and improvement of a robust, credible and reliable environmental management systems. The guidance provided is intended for an organization seeking to manage its environmental responsibilities in a system manner that contribute to the environmental pillar of sustainability.

This International standard helps an organization achieve the intended outcomes of its environmental management system, which provide value for the environment, the organization itself and interested parties. Consistent with the organization's environmental policy, the intended outcomes of an environmental management system include:

- enhancement of environmental performance;
- fulfilment of compliance obligations;
- achievement of environmental objectives.

The guidance in this International standard can help an organization to enhance its environmental performance, and enable the elements of the environmental management system to be integrated in to its core business process.

NOTE: While the environmental management system is not intended to manage occupational health and safety issues, these can be included when an organization seeks to implement an integrated environmental occupational health and safety management system.

This International standard is applicable to any organization, regardless its size, type and nature, and applies to the environmental aspects of its activities, products and services that the organization determines it can either control or influence, considering a life cycle perspectives.

The guidance in this international standard can be used in whole or in part to systematically improve environmental management. It serve to provide additional explanation on concepts and requirements.

While the guidance in this International standard is consistent with ISO 14001 environmental management system model, it is not intended to provide interpretations of the requirement of ISO 14001