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## PROCEDURE FOR MANAGEMENT OF NONCONFORMITIES AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

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## 1. Purpose, scope and users

The purpose of this procedure is to describe all activities related to identifying and managing non-conforming product in order to prevent its unwanted use or shipment and to define responsibilities and authorities related to treatment of non-conforming product.

This procedure is applied to all processes and/or areas (parts of organization) within the QMS (Quality Management System).

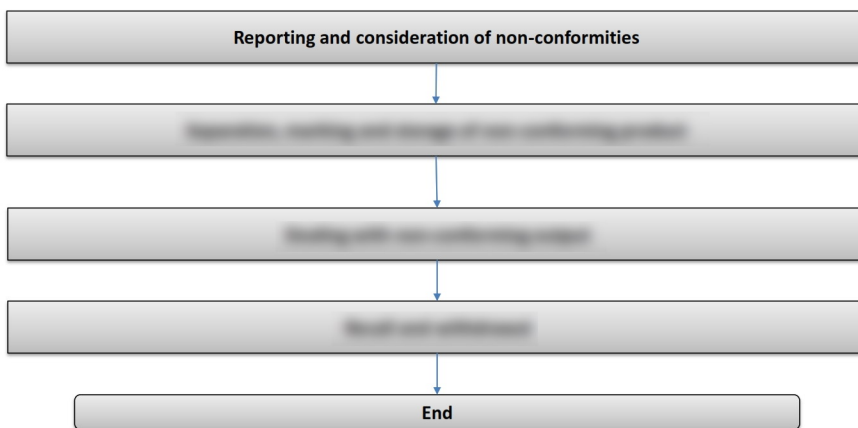
Users of this document are [members of top management] of [organization name], as well as the owner of processes in which the non-conformity occurred.

## 2. Reference documents

- ISO 9001:2015, clauses 8.7; 10.2
- Quality Manual

## 3. Managing non-conformities and corrective actions

### 3.1. Process flow



### 3.2. Nonconformities

A nonconformity is any failure to meet the requirements of the standards, internal documentation, regulations, contractual and other planned arrangements of the QMS. Nonconformities can be

detected during a process or internal audit, based on the results of the management review, after customer, during external audits, or by other means.

Nonconformities can occur in conformity with requirements, with standards, with internal documentation, or during the process of implementation.

### 3.3. Reporting and consideration of nonconformities

The non-conformity is recorded in the Non-conforming Product Record by [job title]. The report is

submitted to the [job title], who will determine the nature of the nonconforming product or service and the necessary actions to be taken to prevent recurrence.

### 3.4. Separation, marking and storage of non-conforming products

[Job title] separates non-conforming product from conforming products. Responsible for separation, marking and storage of non-conforming products in order to prevent misuse and unauthorized use

of the non-conforming product. The non-conforming product is clearly marked and stored in a designated area.

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After solving the nonconformity and performing all activities mentioned above, [job title] enters data about the non-conformity in the Registry of Non-Conformities and Corrective Actions.

### 3.5. Dealing with non-conforming outputs

[Top management] selects members of the Team for non-conforming outputs depending on the

The Team for non-conforming outputs reviews the non-conforming product or service in order to determine the method for dealing with it.

Methods for dealing with non-conforming product are:

- **Correction (Rework)** – is performed in cases when it is possible to bring nonconforming product into conformity with the requirements of the standards by reworking the product. The rework is done in accordance with the requirements of the standards. The rework is done in accordance with the requirements of the standards.
- **Segregation, containment, return, or suspension of provision of products and services** – [job title] decides which of the listed actions will be taken, depending on the nature of the nonconformity.

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• Understanding dispositions for ISO 9001 nonconforming product <http://advisera.com/9001academy/blog/2014/11/18/understanding-dispositions-iso-9001-nonconforming-product/>  
• How to deal with nonconformities in an ISO 9001 certification audit <http://advisera.com/9001academy/blog/2015/06/09/how-to-deal-with-nonconformities-in-an-iso-9001-certification-audit/>

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- **Reusing or classification for other purposes** – is used in cases when the [redacted]
- **Informing the customer** – [job title] decides what will be communicated to the customers if [redacted]
- **Obtaining authorization for acceptance under concession** – is performed by [job title] by approving the shipment based on consent of the user or the decision of a relevant authority [redacted]

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The Team for non-conforming product decides which method for resolving non-conforming product will [redacted]

### 3.6. Corrective actions

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A corrective action may be initiated by any employee or (where appropriate) client, supplier or [redacted]

Corrective actions must be appropriate to the consequences of occurred non-conformities that can have a negative influence on:

- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- [redacted]

By reviewing corrective actions, [job title] ensures that consequences of the corrective action don't have a negative influence on other parts of the system.

### 3.7. Implementation of corrective actions

A corrective action is implemented in the following way:

Step	Person responsible for [redacted]
1. Identifying, reviewing and analysis of non-conformity	Anyone with a role in the QMS
2. [redacted]	[redacted]
3. [redacted]	[redacted]
4. Identifying cause of non-conformity	Person responsible for resolving non-conformity

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5. Deciding if it is needed to initiate corrective action depending on complexity of non-conformity	Person responsible for resolving non-conformity
6. [blurred]	[blurred]
7. [blurred]	[blurred]
8. [blurred]	[blurred]
9. Updating risks and opportunities determined during planning, if necessary	Top management

Each of the above steps must be recorded in the Corrective Action Record.

#### 4. Managing records kept on the basis of this document

Record name	Code	Storage		Responsibility
		Retention time	Location	
Non-Conformity Record	PR.12.1	2 years	[office of [job title]]	[job title]
Corrective Action Record	PR.12.2	2 years	[office of [job title]]	[job title]
Registry and Status of Nonconformities and Corrective Actions	PR.12.3	2 years	[office of [job title]]	[job title]

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#### 5. Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Non-Conformity Record
- Appendix 2 – Corrective Action Record
- Appendix 3 – Registry and Status of Nonconformities and Corrective Actions