

## USAGE RULES OF CERTIFICATION AND ACCREDITATION MARKS

- 1. OASISCERT has established rules governing certification mark that OASISCERT authorizes its certified clients to use(OSC-AP-04). These rules shall ensure, among other things, traceability back to OASISCERT.
- 2. There shall be no ambiguity, in the mark or accompanying text, as to what has been certified and which OASISCERT has granted the certification.
- 3. The certification marks may be used in literature, stationery and advertising. However, they shall not be used on products or packaging (both primary and secondary), and laboratory test, calibration or inspection reports or certificates, as such reports or certificates are deemed to be products in this context.
- 4. When use, the mark shall be produced in colour and black and white.
- 5. For multi-site organization, only sites whose activities are included in the scope of the certification may use the applicable certification mark. The right to use the certification mark does not extend to the parent company or to the subsidiary(ies) of the certified client unless these entities are also included in the certification scope.
- 6. OASISCERT does not permit its marks to be applied by its certified clients to laboratory test, calibration or inspection reports or certificates. Certification statement shall not imply that the product, process or service is certified.
- 7. Where an organization wishes to display a mark in a manner not described in the relevant referenced documents, the matter must be addressed to the OASISCERT for advice.
- 8. The use of the OASISCERT mark by the certified organization itself will be verified at each Surveillance Visit. All auditors should verify that the OASISCERT mark is applied properly. Where an organization is found by the auditor to be incorrectly using or breaches the conditions during surveillance visit, the auditor must advise the client and require, confirm, and record in the assessment report that corrective action is taken.
- 9. If the misuse of marks is persisting, the certification will be suspended. This will then follow by withdrawal that requires the organization to discontinue the use of the relevant marks for whatever reason(s) as decided by OASISCERT.
- 10. OASISCERT mark can be used together with the relevant accreditation mark/logo.
- 11. The accreditation mark may not be used by itself or with a mark/logo that was not provided by OASISCERT.
- 12. OASISCERT shall use legal means to enforce that the certified client:
  - a. Comply to the requirements of OASIS CERT when referring to its certification status in communication media such as the internet, brochures or advertising, or other documents.
  - b. Does not make or permit any misleading statement regarding its certification.
  - c. Does not use or permit the use of a certification document or any part thereof in a misleading manner.
  - d. Upon withdrawal of its certification, discontinues its use of all advertising matter that contains a reference to certification, as directed by OASISCERT



- e. Amends all advertising matter when the scope of certification has been reduced.
- f. Does not allow reference to its MS certification to be used in such a way as to imply that OASISCERT certifies a product (including service) or process.
- g. Does not imply that the certification applies to activities and sites that are outside the scope of certification.
- h. Does not use its certification in such a manner that would bring OASISCERT and/or certification system into disrepute and lose public trust.

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Certification Mark with DSM Accreditation Mark

