



CLIENT SUCCESS STORY

COLOGNIA PRESS A.S.

Columbia press, a.s. is a company focused on customer care, creation of suitable conditions for sustainable environment and, last but not least, occupational safety of employees. The company takes particular care to develop a positive corporate culture. This also includes securing that the employees feel safe and are regularly informed about the company's development. This effort is assisted by the company's newsletter "Dreams & Work". The objective of application of the quality, environment and occupational safety management system is to increase the satisfaction of co-workers and the loyalty of customers. The printing company has been improving the system step by step and regards it as one of the main tools to succeed in tough competition and to accelerate its development.



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The audit team of NQA has a different approach,” said Denisa Hanusková, a quality specialist. “The initial meeting that was attended by our top management was conducted in a professional manner and provided comprehensible information on how the audit will be carried out and what can be expected in the course of the audit.

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MINIMUM OF INJURIES

From the beginning of the implementation of changes in the management system Columbia press intended to ensure that the managers have a better understanding of the system and gain a clear idea of their role in the compliance with legal and technical regulations.

Columbia press considers the standards as an appropriate and supported commitment, creating such a working environment in which occupational injuries are minimized. ISO 45001 helps to systematically improve occupational health and safety and reduces the company's environmental impact through an appropriate selection of raw materials and chemicals, which is appreciated in close surroundings and by the customers of the company. Due to the provision of expert services and optimization by the audit team of NQA, a favourable working climate was created in which the rules and requirements for certification are bilaterally shared.

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION ON THE FIRST PLACE

Columbia press is one of the most popular printing companies in the Czech Republic with a wide range of products that has been continuously extended. It is an entirely Czech company with state-of-the-art machinery. Columbia is a company built from scratch. Within 23 years it has developed into a business with almost 130 employees, an annual volume of over 30 thousand contracts and sales over EUR 14 million. Its flexible packaging materials manufactured from certified materials are fit for use in food industry or for the production of bags. The main customers include: Fresenius Kabi, Foxconn, DHL, Tchibo, Burda Eastern Europe, Yankee Candle, Healthy Food Brands Ltd., Vitana and Korunní.

Columbia press a.s. treats its clients as partners, and the care of them is the company's first priority. The company makes efforts to design an ideal solution meeting all their requirements. Being No. 1 in the production of labels, the company does not regard labels as goods produced and delivered but as an important part of the partner's manufacturing process. The company's extensive product portfolio includes:

- **Food labels** – including shrink sleeve labels that, after being slipped over the product, fit tightly to the product through the application of hot air or steam.
- **Smart labels based on RFID technologies** – labels containing a microchip with an antenna that helps to identify an object at a certain distance by means of radiofrequency waves.
- **Special packaging materials** – tubes, laminates, endless strips or tickets.

In addition to the revised quality and environmental management systems, Colonia press has recently managed to implement the requirements of ISO 45001 for occupational health and safety management system. Integration of all the management systems resulted in greater compatibility and simplified the company's documentation.

As a result, the company is better prepared to fulfil its commitments to the employees and is able to provide not only its customers but also other involved state supervision parties with evidence how the company takes care of all its employees and how it creates a suitable working environment for them.

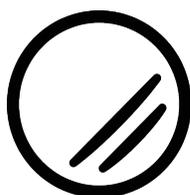


ISO 45001 TRANSITION

International quality and environmental management standards have come closer to the standard ISO 45001 for occupational health and safety management. Within a single system there are common procedures that were complicated by the standard OHSAS 18001 due to different requirements, in particular. The mitigation from the British standard OHSAS 18001 to ISO 45001 made orientation in the documentation easier and unified the procedures of internal audits and annual review.

The mitigation to ISO 45001:2018 for occupational health and safety management indicates the interest of the company's management to understand and respect the interests of other stakeholders and to take care of the health of workers and ecology in the region. This is also a reason why the company is an attractive partner for the current and future employees.

Nikola Bíbrová, who is responsible for the management of the integrated system, said about the company's transition to the new standard in February 2019: "We are preparing our employees that one day there may be a box intended for suggestions and comments, marked and located in a place visible to everyone. We also plan that the employees will be kept more systematically informed on the results of their suggestions and further procedure."



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