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7.4.1.2 Supplier Quality Management System Development

The organization shall perform supplier quality management system development with the goal of supplier conformity with this Technical Specification. Conformity with ISO9001:2008 demonstrated by a certification by an accredited third party certification/registration body or through a second party audit process is the first step in achieving this goal.

- The organization's second party audit process shall be consistent with the automotive process approach, including evidence of planning, supplier readiness and supplier performance. The organization shall demonstrate the competence of the auditors undertaking the 2nd party audits. Records of the audits reports shall be maintained. Note: Guidance can be found in the IATF Auditor Guide, ISO 17021 and ISO19011.
- After the initial audit, the second party surveillance audits shall be conducted at least annually.
- The prioritization of suppliers for development depends upon, for example, the supplier's quality performance and the importance of the product supplied.
- The organization shall have decision criteria for determining "specially designated small suppliers" wherein certain specified elements of ISO9001:2008 ISO/TS16949:2009 may be waived. Records of the established criteria and decision taken accordingly shall be maintained. "Small" here above may refer to the volume supplied to the automotive industry or to the organization.
- Refer to OEM Vehicle Manufacturer customer specifics for 2nd Party audit requirements for the organization who is a direct supplier to the OEM.
- During the agreed ISO9001:2008 and ISO/TS16949:2009 transition process ISO9001:2000 and ISOTS16949:2002Certificates shall be deemed as acceptable.