

PUBLIC POLICY
Impartiality Policy

VERISYS REGISTRARS® top management is committed to ensuring the impartiality and objectivity of all management system certification activities. Our commitment to managing conflicts of interest, including impartiality, commercial, and financial issues, ensures the integrity of our management system certifications.

VERISYS REGISTRARS® and any associated contractors or partners will not:

- Certify another certification body for management systems.
- Certify a management system for which any part of Verisys Registrars and/or the same legal entity provided management system consultancy.
- Provide an internal audit service to any certified clients. Mitigation of this threat to impartiality is that personnel will not be used for a minimum of two years following the end of any internal audit activity.
- Certify a client when a relationship with a management systems consultancy poses an unacceptable threat to impartiality.
- Outsource any audits to a management consultancy organization involved in management systems as described with the scope of these scheme rules.
- Have any marketing materials or linkage to management system consultancy. Verisys will take action to correct inappropriate claims or links by any consultancy organization.
- Perform audits or other certification activities if they have been involved in management systems consultancy toward the client to avoid conflicts of interest of personnel. Mitigation of this threat to impartiality is that personnel will not be used for a minimum of two years following the end of consultancy.
- Offer certification when relationships that threaten impartiality cannot be eliminated or minimized. These threats include but are not limited to those of commercial, financial or other pressures to compromise impartiality.
- Engage in any activity that may conflict with independence of judgment or integrity in relation to conformity assessment under notification.

Verisys Registrars top management will safeguard the impartiality of the organization and take action to respond to any threats to impartiality, including but not limited to those arising from actions of other persons, bodies, or organizations.

Verisys Registrars is required to be notified of any issues regarding perceived or confirmed information that can cause a conflict of interest. For any discovered or reported threats to conflict of interest and/or impartiality, Verisys Registrars Top Management shall be informed.