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Featured Client: CommScope

Founded in Hickory, North Carolina more than 30 years ago, CommScope creates infrastructure solutions for communications networks in more than 130 countries. CommScope is backed by a wealth of experience and market familiarity that benefits customers around the world. With a worldwide team consisting of more than 13,000 employees, CommScope is a global leader in connectivity solutions for communications networks. CommScope is a global leader in connectivity solutions for wireless, business enterprise, residential broadband and carrier wireline networks. By committing to integrity, innovation, quality and performance and , by building these values into every transaction, the company gives its customers the power to communicate where, when and how they choose. CommScope is the behind-the-scenes connection that helps the world communicate– at work, at home and while on the go.

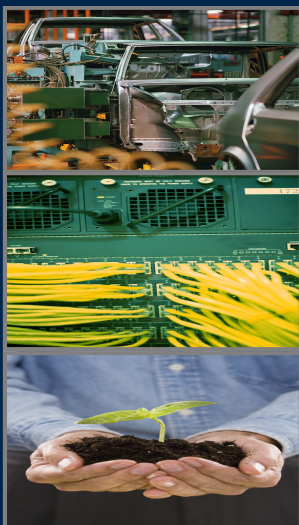


As people across the globe rely on communications networks to even greater degrees, CommScope delivers the solutions that extend the boundaries of what's possible for today's applications and tomorrow's bandwidth demands. As communications become more integrated, CommScope serves the infrastructure connectivity needs of all types of networks by helping to deliver reliable, high performance, value-rich communications in wireless, wireline, enterprise and broadband markets. Driven by a company-wide spirit of technological exploration and powered by advanced global R&D capabilities, CommScope sets the standard for the performance, quality and reliability of the world's connectivity infrastructure solutions.

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What is e-Stewards Certification?

The e-Stewards Standard for Responsible Recycling and Reuse of Electronic Equipment is the result of long collaboration between the environmental community and leaders in the recycling, auditing, occupational health, data security, and manufacturing industries as well as from the accredited third party certification industry. The e-Stewards certification program provides an accredited, independently audited certification to the "Gold Standard" for electronics recyclers and asset managers. Third party certification provides a means to establish confidence within the marketplace that the certified e-Steward will handle electronic and hazardous waste responsibly in a manner that protects the environment and the social and health and safety concerns of the workforce, throughout the recycling chain around the world. For more information on e-Stewards certification, check out their website: www.e-stewards.org

AQA Newsflash...

As times change, so do the rules. Formerly following ISO/IEC Guides 62 and 66, AQA International now follows and is accredited to ISO/IEC 17021:2006. "Conformity assessment– requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems.": This standard along with the accreditation rules issued by our accreditation body, ANAB, are the requirements we as a registrar must follow to maintain accreditation. Though not required, we recommend our clients have a copy. Copies of ISO/IEC 17021 can be purchased at the following website: <http://webstore.ansi.org>

Did You Know?

ISO/TS 16949:2009 was released on June 15, 2009. Developed by the International Automotive Task Force (IATF), the updated standard introduces no new or changed requirements. In conjunction with ISO 9001:2008, ISO/TS 16949:2009 defines the quality management system requirements for the design and development, production and, when relevant, installation and service of automotive-related products. For more information regarding the updated standard, log on to their website! www.iaftglobaloversight.org





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Not only is CommScope committed to its customers, the company is committed to reducing its impact on the natural planet as well. By continually developing new manufacturing processes and product capabilities that minimize energy consumption and reduce waste, CommScope improves the efficiency of its own operations. CommScope believes that environmental stewardship should significantly impact its preservation of global resources and it is building a solid foundation for its environmentally conscious initiatives. A few of its accomplishments include ISO 14001:2004 certification at many of its global facilities, participation in the Voluntary Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program and compliance with the Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) at many of its key plants. Established in 1988, CommScope's innovative ReelSmart recycling program enables it to reuse more than 100,000 cable reels annually, effectively saving approximately 29,000 trees. Working together with integrity, honesty and commitment, CommScope strives to be recognized for the superior quality and performance of its products while strengthening its environmental stewardship. For more information on CommScope and the services they provide, be sure to check out their website: <http://www.commscope.com>

Meet the Staff:

Jerry Stillinger, AQA's International Operations Manager has been with AQA since January of 2001. Originally from Orangeburg, South Carolina, Jerry has lived in the Midlands his whole life. His favorite thing about working at AQA is having the opportunity to visit different companies and meet clients. "It makes it really nice when you have a face to put with a name," he stated. Like a true Southerner, in his free time Jerry enjoys hunting and fishing. He also enjoys coin collecting, Spanish music, traveling to new places and trying new foods. Jerry is eager to start the 4th quarter out with a bang and is very excited about another year with AQA!



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AQA 2009 PUBLIC TRAINING SCHEDULE

<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Location</u>
Oct.	13	OHSAS Overview	1.0	\$395	Columbia, SC
	14	Effective Management Review	0.5	\$150	Columbia, SC
		Finding ROI in your Management System	0.5	\$150	Columbia, SC
	22	AS9100:2009 Rev C Overview	0.25	\$200	Webinar
	22	TS 3rd Edition Overview	1.00	\$250	Columbia, SC
Nov.	4-5	ISO 13485:2003 Internal Auditor	2.0	\$695	Columbia, SC
	10-11	ISO 9001:2008 Internal Auditor	2.0	\$695	Columbia, SC
	12-13	ISO 14001 Internal Auditor	2.0	\$695	Columbia, SC
	TBD	Problem Solving	0.5	\$150	Webinar
	30-Dec.4	ISO 9001:2008 Lead Auditor	5.0	\$1,600	Columbia, SC
Dec.	7-11	ISO 14001 Lead Auditor	5.0	\$1,600	Columbia, SC

Any of the above referenced courses can be customized to fit any of your training needs with on-site training. For more information regarding any of our classes or how to sign up, please contact Ansley Rhodes at 800-281-4383 or arhodes@aqausa.com.