

Press Release

NKE AUSTRIA: Successful ISO Recertification and New OHSAS Certification

Steyr, Austria, 2 December 2009. Austrian bearing manufacturer NKE AUSTRIA GmbH has again passed the ISO audit in November 2009. Recertified to ISO 9001:2008 for Quality Management and ISO 14001:2004 for Environmental Management, NKE is now, for the first time, also certified for Occupational Health and Safety Management according to OHSAS 18001.

NKE was already awarded ISO 9001 certification at the time of its foundation in 1996. Following their initial certification, companies are monitored with regular audits to ensure that they continue to maintain the strict quality criteria demanded by the standard. The ISO 9001 standard defines principles of quality management that help improve the company's performance. The ISO 14001 standard for Environmental Management aims to promote environmental protection and prevent pollution and other adverse environmental effects. The OHSAS 18001 (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Systems) standard defines criteria for the assessment of occupational safety management within the enterprise. The certification and audits are performed by SGS – one of the world's leading certification authorities.

With around 180 employees NKE produces both standard and special bearings for all industrial applications. NKE's core functions – engineering, product development, final processing of components, assembly, quality assurance, logistics, and sales and marketing – are centralised at its Steyr headquarters. In addition to product development and application engineering NKE provides a full range of technical services and training. NKE's products are distributed through 15 international representative offices and more than 240 distribution outlets in 60 countries.

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The quality management system used at NKE's factory in the Austrian town of Steyr is certified to ISO 9001:2008.

About NKE AUSTRIA GmbH:

NKE Austria GmbH is a bearing manufacturer headquartered in Steyr, Austria. Founded in 1996 by a group of senior staff members of former company Steyr Wälzlager, NKE produces standard and special bearings for all industrial applications. NKE's core functions – engineering, product development, final processing of components, assembly, quality assurance, logistics, and sales and marketing – are centralised at its Steyr headquarters. The factory in Steyr is certified to ISO 9001:2008, ISO 14001:2004 and OHSAS 18001. Its wide range of standard bearings are either available from stock or on short production lead-times. NKE also provides tailored products and solutions. In addition to product development and application engineering NKE provides a full range of technical services, consulting, documentation and training. NKE's products are distributed through 15 international representative offices and more than 240 distribution outlets in 60 countries.

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