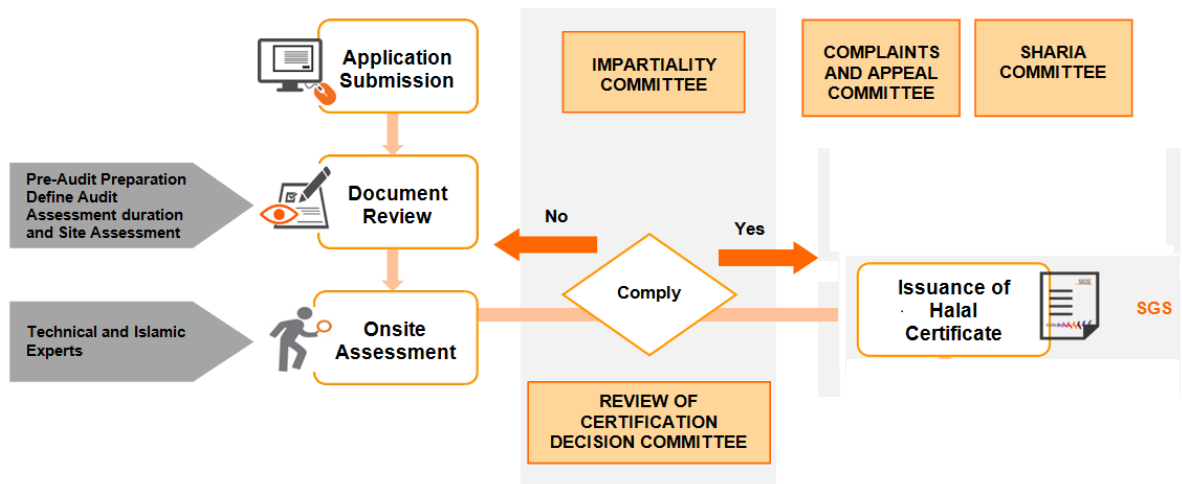


<b>GUIDELINES OF IMPORTS FOR THE TRADE</b>		
<b>GCC STANDARDIZATION ORGANIZATION</b>		
 HALAL <small>GSO 2055-2:2015</small> HPC 0016	<b>GCC HALAL CERTIFICATION</b>	 HALAL <small>GSO 2055-2:2015</small> HPC 0016
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<b>1. ESMA HALAL AUDITS MANDATE</b>		
PROGRAM NAME	GCC HALAL CERTIFICATION	
PROGRAM MANDATED BY	GCC STANDARDIZATION ORGANIZATION	
PROGRAM SCOPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess and verify compliance of Halal products that will be traded within the GCC Countries, and to confirm if they are in accordance with the regulations, rules, specifications and conditions approved by GSO.</li> <li>• Issuance of certificate and use of Halal Mark to be placed on the products or services or facilities conforming to the requirements of the GSO System for the Control of Halal Products.</li> </ul>	
REGULATED PRODUCTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSO Regulation of Control over Halal products including production system and services associated with the products.</li> <li>• The following product categories are subject to this program:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Halal Food Products covered under category codes</li> <li>➤ Cosmetics</li> <li>➤ Personal care products</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The above regulated products fall under the category codes A,B,C,D, E, F,G, H, I, J, K, L, M and N of GSO 2055-2:2015</li> </ul>	
APPLICABLE STANDARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSO 2055-1:2015; GSO 2055-2:2015; GSO 2055-4</li> </ul>	
ASSESSMENT METHODS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depending on the nature of the product, the assessment methods consist of one or a combination of the following activities:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Laboratory testing</li> <li>➤ Test report verification</li> <li>➤ Factory onsite audits</li> <li>➤ Documentary verification</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

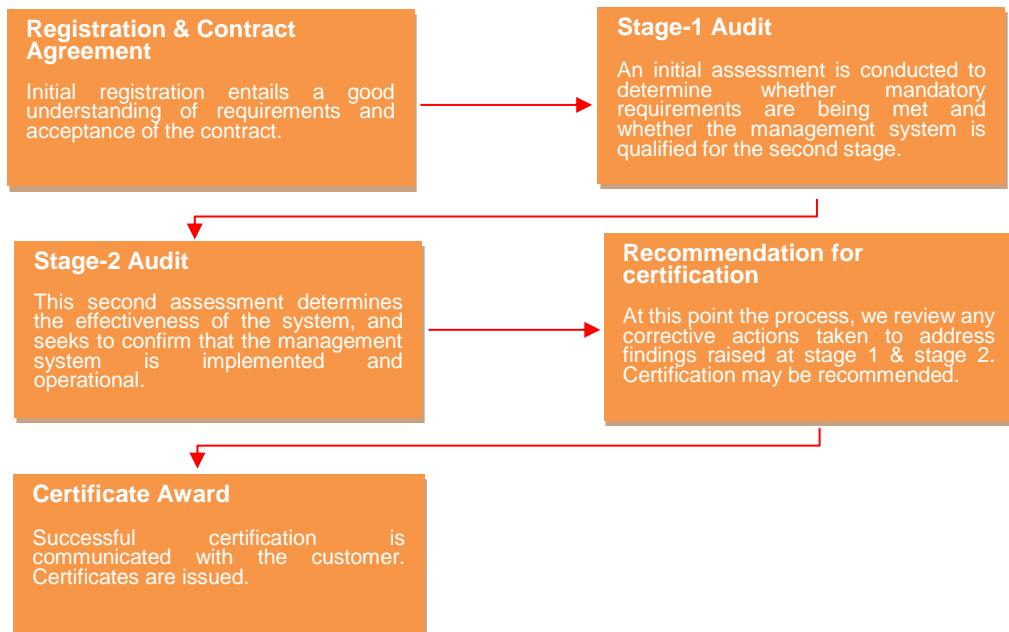
CERTIFICATION SCHEME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Type 5 of ISO/IEC 17067:2013</li> </ul>
MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option A as per ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015</li> </ul>
VALIDITY OF CERTIFICATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Validity is for 3 years from the date of issuance</li> </ul>
<b>2. VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS</b>	
DOCUMENTATION	<p>The applicant submits to SGS the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Filled Application form</li> <li>Declaration of Conformity by the applicant of the products on the company's letter head</li> <li>Valid Industry/Trade/Commercial License</li> <li>Certificate of export and or authenticated free sales certificate from the country of origin for imported products.</li> <li>Product composition and ingredients concentration report issued by manufacturer</li> <li>Documented proof of internationally accepted quality management systems, in addition to any of the product safety management systems, or Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), good hygiene practices (GHP) related to the Halal product that are globally applicable and acceptable to the Authority</li> <li>Test report from ISO 17025 accredited laboratory as per GSO standard requirement.</li> <li>Facility map/ Factory Layout for the products</li> <li>Label artworks</li> <li>Table of raw materials</li> <li>Copy of Halal certificate of ingredients/raw materials or copy of product specification or any other claims</li> <li>Brief description of manufacturing process flow chart and plant equipment lay out in the form of a Halal System Plan (HSP)</li> <li>Certificate of raw materials &amp; packaging materials from the suppliers ensuring their Halal origin</li> </ul>
VERIFICATION PROCESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The applicant must submit the application to SGS along with the documents specified above.</li> <li>Upon acceptance of the Application form/ Request for certification and all the necessary documents, SGS shall carry out a conformity assessment audit from the identified scheme for a particular product.</li> <li>Field visit by SGS Halal Auditors to carry out assessment and evaluation of products.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When the results of conformity assessment demonstrate that the relevant requirements are met, SGS shall issue an SGS Halal Certificate and Schedule of Certification (SOC).</li> <li>Surveillance audit to be conducted by SGS to ensure continuous compliance to the standard and regulation requirements.</li> <li>Inspections to be carried out by SGS to check on the compliance.</li> <li>Recertification audit at the time of renewal.</li> </ul>
CERTIFICATE ISSUED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SGS Halal Certificate and Schedule of Certification (SOC)</li> </ul>

## HALAL NATIONAL MARK CERTIFICATION PROCESS



## STEPS TO HALAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CERTIFICATION



### 3. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

#### LABELLING REQUIREMENTS

- As per the applicable standard

### 4. FEES

Available upon request from the local SGS office

### 5. CONTACT INFORMATION

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