



## AMERICAN INDOOR AIR QUALITY COUNCIL Press Release

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### IAQ Council Announces ISO Compliance

The American Indoor Air Quality Council has announced that its certifications are compliant with international standards for program operation developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

ISO standards 9000, 9001, 9004, 17000 and 17024 apply to organizations conducting personnel certification programs. The American IAQ Council is the first organization in the indoor air quality industry to comply with these standards.

"The IAQ Council is dedicated to providing the most credible certifications in indoor air quality," said Charlie Wiles, IAQ Council executive director. "This announcement signals another important step in that direction."

ISO-compliant certifying bodies must meet rigorous standards for program operation and maintenance, including:

- Independence from certification-related training
- Exclusion of trainers or examiners from participation in certification decisions
- Documented procedures for safeguarding impartiality and confidentiality

"Compliance with ISO standards sets IAQ Council certifications apart," said Wiles. "At the same time, it reflects practices that we have followed since the founding of our organization."

The American Indoor Air Quality Council is a non-profit certifying body founded in 1993 to serve the indoor air quality industry. The IAQ Council operates independent, third-party accredited certification programs for indoor environmental consultants, microbial consultants, microbial remediators, indoor air quality administrators and residential mold inspectors. The IAQ Council certifies more than 5,000 professionals in the United States, Canada and overseas.

For more information about the IAQ Council and its programs, please visit [www.iaqcouncil.org](http://www.iaqcouncil.org).