9120:2018 Lead Auditor Training

Background

The EN9120:2016 Lead Auditor Training is a five-day course designed for individuals leading audits in aerospace, space, and defence distribution organisations. This programme builds on internal auditing principles and develops advanced skills in managing audit teams, conducting full system audits, and ensuring distributor-specific compliance. It combines audit techniques with a focus on supply chain integrity, traceability, and customer-specific requirements across the aerospace sector.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:
- Interpret the structure and intent of EN9120:2016 and its integration with AS9100.
- Plan and lead audits that address the specific needs of aerospace distributors.
- Ensure compliance with traceability, counterfeit part prevention, and customer flow-down requirements.
- Lead audit teams and interact effectively with certification bodies and customers.
- Identify risks, classify findings, and report audit results clearly and professionally.
- Promote continual improvement within distribution operations and the wider supply chain.

Agenda

1. Day 1 – Overview of EN9120, distributor-specific QMS principles, and audit foundations.
2. Day 2 – Detailed clause walkthrough with focus on traceability, stock control, and risk.
3. Day 3 – Audit planning, team leadership, and risk-based auditing for distribution environments.
4. Day 4 – Conducting and reporting audits, managing findings, and customer/regulatory flow-downs.
5. Day 5 – Final audit simulation, team audit exercise, and lead auditor competency assessment.

Additional Information

- Duration: 5 Days
- Includes: Distribution-focused scenarios, audit team exercises, and competency assessment
- Ideal For: Quality managers, auditors, and professionals working in aerospace distribution aiming to become certified EN9120 Lead Auditors.