The NAKMAS National Martial Arts Governing Body Has Passed A Rigorous BSI Quality Audit For 27 Years, Demonstrating It’s Commitment To Quality

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After 27 years of dedication and unwavering commitment to quality, NAKMAS, a renowned sports national governing body, has announced its successful navigation of the thorough audit conducted by the prestigious British Standards Institution (BSI) for its Quality Management Systems (QMS). This achievement showcases NAKMAS' alignment with the national and international standard ISO 9001, reaffirming the organisation’s commitment to excellence and continuous improvement.

In response to the successful audit result, Dr Sandra Beale-Ellis the NAKMAS Director of Operations and Quality Manager, a karate 7th Dan black belt of thirty five years, expressed immense pride and gratitude, stating, "This certification is a testament to our team's hard work and dedication to upholding the highest standards in everything we do. We are thrilled to have our commitment to quality management recognised through this prestigious accreditation for the 27th year running."

The ISO 9001 standard is globally recognised as a benchmark for quality management systems, emphasising a strong customer focus, the motivation and implication of top management, and a process approach to continual improvement. By achieving alignment with this standard, NAKMAS has demonstrated its ability to consistently provide services that meet member and regulatory requirements while enhancing member satisfaction.

Beale-Ellis further added, "At NAKMAS, quality is at the core of our operations, and we are constantly striving to improve and innovate in order to better serve our members. This accreditation not only validates our efforts but also motivates us to continue our pursuit of excellence in all aspects of our operations."

With this achievement, NAKMAS reinforces its position as the leading national governing body for martial arts committed to delivering exceptional services to its members. The successful navigation of the BSI audit further solidifies NAKMAS' reputation as a trusted and reliable partner in the industry.

Moving forwards, NAKMAS remains dedicated to fostering a culture of quality, innovation, and continuous improvement within the organisation. Team NAKMAS is committed to leveraging this accreditation to drive further advancements in its processes and service delivery, with a continued focus on exceeding member expectations.

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NAKMAS is accredited to the Equality Standard: A Framework for Sport. To find out more about Equality Standard: A Framework for Sport at https://www.uksport.gov.uk/news/2004/11/17/equality-standards-launched

NAKMAS is an approved insurance provider via Aviva and Allianz and holds a National and International Quality Standard Certificate FS 40219 - ISO 9001 via the BSI (British Standards Institution).

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