

## **SUPPLIER QUALITY ASSURANCE INFORMATION**

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The Supply Chain is a major stakeholder integral to the delivery of the 12 Australian Attack Class Submarines. Naval Group Australia (NGA) is building long term industry relationships with Suppliers to support the Submarine Program and is seeking Suppliers that can demonstrate they have an operational and robust Quality Management System (QMS) underpinning their ongoing product compliance and service reliability.

NGA's expectation is for Program Suppliers to have an externally certified QMS to the ISO9001:2015 standard or have implemented a framework consistent with the requirements of ISO9001:2015. External compliance to ISO 45001:2018 Safety Management and ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management is also highly desirable.

There are 2 key stages to the NGA Supplier Quality Assurance assessment processes:

1. The first stage focuses on a desktop audit of Supplier submitted information. Naval Group Australia will request evidence of your operational QMS in addition to details of your business operating model, financial health, insurances and corporate social responsibility standing.
2. The second stage will involve a site audit undertaken by the NGA Supplier Quality Assurance Team and subject matter experts focusing on key ISO requirements including but not limited to:
  - Nonconformance management
  - Personnel qualifications and training program
  - Equipment calibration management program
  - Traceability
  - Receipt, inspection and control of materials
  - Product specific process management
  - Requirements management
  - Safety and environmental process

The Suppliers ability to demonstrate compliance to these requirements will support progression towards becoming an approved supplier to the Australian Attack Class Submarine Program.