

Quality Assurance Self-Appraisals

Regulatory Basis:

FDA Quality Systems Regulations

Reference: FDA CFR - Code of Federal Regulations Title 21

General Discussion

This document provides guidance in the conduct of Quality Assurance Self-Appraisals (QASA) to verify and assure the effectiveness of on-going quality systems, practices, and programs and to identify potential procedural gaps or system weaknesses at Manufacturing Production and logistic Sites.

1. The Site Quality Team should prepare and maintain a master list of Site operations that may be subjects of the QASA program. Collectively, that list should cover all major regulatory-related operations at the Site. Illustrative examples for production Sites include, but are not limited to, the following

• Manufacturing, Packaging	• Shipping, • Receiving
• Labeling & Label Control	• Solvent Recovery
• Engineering	• Quality Assurance
• Purchasing	• Validation
• Quality Control Labs	• Safety
• Production Control Labs	• Security
• Human Resources	• Medical Device Design Controls

Illustrative examples of definable operations for Logistics Centres include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Receiving and Shipping,
- Returned Goods,
- Carrier Identification,
- **Rejected** Goods,
- Carrier Inspection,
- Safety,
- Personnel Training,
- Security,
- Product Status Controls,
- Visitor Controls,
- Public Warehouses,
- Inventory Controls, and
- Temperature Controls During Product Transport,
- Sanitation and Pest Controls.

The Site Quality Team should review the above lists at least annually, and adjust them to broaden the coverage, when necessary.

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