TOTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT
OUR COMMITMENT TO ISO 9001: 2008





# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA SIMPLY THE BEST

Open communication and innovative ideas from our internal and external customers provide the foundation for continual improvement in our processes and products at the LAPP Group.



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# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA WELCOME TO OUR QUALITY TEAM

#### WELCOME ABOARD...

We are delighted to have you join our **Quality Management Team**. The role that you play within the organization will certainly make us the Lapp Group North America simply "the best".

The Lapp Group recognize the importance of making each employee a decision maker. They are **committed in providing** their employees good working conditions, opportunities for advancement, and an atmosphere that encourages **professional and personal growth**.

Your department manager has developed a process approach to manage your daily activities. Your input in reviewing and monitoring the process is important. Continual **improvement** is needed to stay competitive and ensure that we remain your "Vendor of Choice". Your contributions and talents will make us "the best in marketplace".

The Lapp Group rely on their customers, therefore, we must **understand the customer needs**, meet the customer requirements and satisfy their requests now and in the future. We value our customers success and are committed to listen to their voice. Our customer's opinions form the foundation of our plans for **continual improvement**.

The Lapp Group made a commitment to continually improve their processes and provide their customers excellence in their service and products. They depend on their employees and customers to help create a quality system that is truly the best in place.

Quality is a never-ending journey that involves all employees. Let your journey begin...

#### WHAT IS ISO?

The international Organization for Standardization (ISO) was established in 1947 and is (currently) an association of 175 members, which each represent their own country.

<u>The ISO Survey of Certification - 2001</u> reveals certification activity around one or more ISO's management system standard in 175 countries becoming essential tools of the world economy. ISO employs a system of Technical Committees, Sub-committees and Working Groups to develop International Standards. Besides the National Standards Bodies, ISO permits other international organizations that develop standards to participate in its work, by accepting them as liaison members. ISO works in accordance with an agreed set of rules of procedure, the *ISO/IEC Directives*, which also include requirements on the presentation of standards.

**ISO 9000** is a series of VOLUNTARY INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS. These standards were issued and developed by the Technical Committee 176 of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

These standards are used to develop and maintain a (QSM) QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM for companies that are involved with manufacturing products or providing services for their customers. A proactive quality management system is essential to remain profitable in today's competitive market.

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### ISO 9001:2008 provides classification to the following clauses:

4.4	Confirm that any outsourced process is fully controlled where there is potential for an impact
4.1	on the product or service provided. This should be controlled through clause 7.4. The type and extent of control should be defined.
5.5.2	Confirm that the Management Representative is a member of the organizations <b>own</b> management.
6.2.1	Ensure that any person performing work affecting "conformity of the product / service" is competent.
6.3	Include information systems as a supporting service.
6.4	Confirm that all applicable work environment conditions have been considered.
7.2.1	Ensure any post delivery activity is covered (e.g. warranty, recycling, disposal obligation).
7.3.1	Design review, verification and validation have distinct purposes. Confirm that they have been conducted and recorded as suitable for the product or the organization.
7.3.3	Ensure that the preservation of the product has been considered as applicable.
7.5.4	Personal data and intellectual property (e.g. software) may now be considered as customer property and reported if unsuitable, lost or damaged.
7.6	Title amended. "Control of monitoring and measuring equipment". Confirmation that computer software may not be subject to traditional calibration. May be focused on verification and configuration management.
8.2.2	Ensure that the Management of the "units" audited have implemented correction and preventive actions.
8.2.3	Confirm that appropriate monitoring and measurement processes have been implemented, dependant on the impact of the product / service and the effectiveness of the management system.
8.2.4	The standard specifies that when products are released to the customer the company must maintain records of <b>who is responsible</b> to sign off the product for delivery.
8.3	Corrective action taken should be appropriate to the effects, or the potential effects of the nonconformity when nonconforming product is detected AFTER delivery or use has started.
8.5.2	Review of the <b>effectiveness</b> of corrective actions taken.
8.5.3	Review of the <b>effectiveness</b> of preventive actions taken.

# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA REASONS FOR ISO CERTIFICATION

#### ISO Certification provides:

Product and Process Efficiency

Operational and Customer Related Benefits

Increase Market Share

Increase Sales

#### ISO 9001:2008

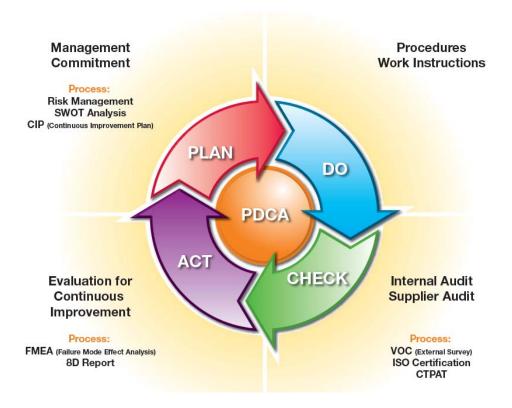
Focus on the customer - Listening to the VOICE OF THE CUSTOMER.

**The LAPP GROUP** developed a process to listen on the "voice of their customer". Surveys are sent and results monitored. Corrective / preventive measures are put in place to ensure that continual improvement is an on-going process.

Measurable OBJECTIVES AND CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT. Objectives must be measured and improvement plans implemented. The leadership shall ensure communication of quality management system effectiveness among all tiers of the organization.

Training effectiveness: Providing training is not enough. An evaluation of training effectiveness is required.

ISO 9001:2008 is a process-oriented structure. It includes a PLAN-DO-CHECK-ACT process model.



Documentation requirements are less prescriptive and allow greater flexibility. Managers at the LAPP GROUP are responsible for mapping out their critical processes. Managers develop department goals to meet the overall objectives of the company. Individual goals are set for each employee at the LAPP GROUP.

# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA **CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**



## **CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**

This is to certify that the Management System of:

# LAPP Holding, N.A. 29 Hanover Road Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, USA

has been approved by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance to the following Management System Standard:

ISO 9001:2008

The Management System is applicable to:

Design, Development and Manufacture of Custom Cable, Cutting to Size of Wire and Cable and Tubing, Distribution of Wire Cable, Cable Accessories, Connectors and Tools, Value Added Services which include Striping, Dyeing, Twisting and Printing of Wires.

This certificate is valid only in association with the certificate schedule bearing the same number on which the locations applicable to this approval are listed.

Approval

Certificate No: UQA 0106526

Original Approval: July 6, 1995

Current Certificate: August 1, 2016

Certificate Expiry: September 14, 2018



# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL



#### **CERTIFICATE SCHEDULE**

# LAPP Holding, N.A.

### **Head Office:**

LAPP Holding, N.A. 29 Hanover Road Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, USA

#### **Activities:**

Design, Development and Manufacture of Custom Cable, Cutting to Size of Wire and Cable and Tubing, Distribution of Wire Cable, Cable Accessories, Connectors and Tools, Value Added Services which include Striping, Dyeing, Twisting and Printing of Wires.

#### Locations:

LAPP USA 29 Hanover Road Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, USA

LAPP Cable Works 29 Hanover Road Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, USA

LAPP Systems 29 Hanover Road Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, USA

LAPP Tannehill 8675 Eagle Creek Parkway, Suite 900 Savage, Minnesota 55378, USA

#### **Activities:**

Design and Development of Custom Cable, Cutting to Size of Wire and Cable, Distribution of Wire, Cable, Cable Accessories, Connectors and Tools.

Development and Manufacture of Wire and Cable.

Development and Manufacture of Cable Assemblies and Harnesses.

Distribution of Wire & Cable, Accessories and Tools, and Value Added Services including Striping, Dyeing, Twisting, Printing of Wire, Respooling and Cutting of Wire to Length, and Cutting and Marking of Tubing.

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LAPP Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V. Del Bosque 1205-1 Las Pintas de Abajo Tlaquepaque, Jalisco Cp. 45619

Atlanta Distribution Center 2402 Tech Center Parkway, Suite 300 Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043, USA

### **Activities:**

Sale of Custom Cable, Wire, Cable, Cable Accessories and Tools.

Sales and Distribution of Wire, Cable, Cable Accessories and Tools.

Cutting to Size of Wire and Cable, Distribution of Wire and Cable.

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# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA SURVEYS DETERMINING CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

Lapp's leadership ensures that customer needs and requirements drive the action of all employees. Customer feedback and voice of the customer is captured on a regular basis through customer surveys, customer visits and more informally through field feedbacks, exhibitions and others.

Feedback collected covers but is not limited to the following areas:

- DELIVERY
- **QUOTATION**
- HELPFULNESS/KNOWLEDGE OF STAFF
- PRODUCT QUALITY
- PRICE STRUCTURE
- PACKAGING
- ACCEPTABLE TIMEFRAME FOR DELIVERY
- ACCEPTABLE TIMEFRAME FOR QUOTES

The LAPP GROUP decisions and improvements are based on the voice of the customers. Factual information and data is routinely analyzed to ensure that we remain the **vendor of choice**.

Periodically, surveys are sent to our customers THEIR RESPONSES AND OPINIONS BECOME THE FOUNDATION OF OUR CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT PLANS.



# CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT: CORRECTIVE / PREVENTIVE ACTIONS (8D REPORT, FMEA)

We maintain corrective and preventive action procedures to insure that major quality concerns are investigated and actions taken to prevent occurrence or recurrence.

We use 8D problem solving Methodology for product and process improvement .

#### **CAR: CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST**

The objective of corrective action is to prevent the cause of a problem from recurring. The reason why the problem was not detected must be disclosed in 8D reports. The corrective action is not closed until effectiveness is proven.

- After the fact: Correction action reports involve a breakdown in the QMS; repetitive errors or system breakdown.
  - 1. Root causes must be identified and corrective action implemented.
  - 2. Internal auditors monitor open and closed CARS for effectiveness during assessments.
  - 3. Records are maintained to show effectiveness of correction action after implementation.

#### PAR: PREVENTIVE ACTION REQUEST

The objective of preventive action is to prevent a potential problem from occurring. Potential problems are identified from many sources of information, including:

- Design reviews
- Quality audits
- Quality records
- Customer inputs FMEA

Actions taken to address potential problem are documented.

The LAPP GROUP offers constant **employee training**. All training is verified to ensure effectiveness.

Management tools are incorporated in daily processes to ensure continual improvement.



# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA MANAGEMENT TOOLS

Lapp employs different methods in monitoring quality and customer satisfaction. These methods demonstrate the ability of the processes to achieve planned results.

VENDOR RATING SYSTEM; PRODUCT QUALITY, DELIVERY, AND RESPONSIVENESS

OESKTOP AUDITS: SURVEYS, QUESTIONNAIRES

PERFORMANCE RATING – ONTIME DELIVERY

OCUMENT CONTROL - PROCEDURES AND WORK INSTRUCTIONS

🥝 CONTROL DOCUMENTS - REVISIONS CONTROL - CATALOGUES,ETC.

KPI: CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS / RETURNS

**CUSTOMER SERVICE RATE** 

SUPPLIER SERVICE RATE

SUPPLIER INCIDENTS

**COST OF QUALITY** 

**CUSTOMER RETURNS (PPM)** 

ON A MONTHLY BASIS, KPI (KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS) ARE REPORTED TO LAPP HOLDING AG. THESE INDICATORS ARE MONITORED TO INSURE GOALS ARE MET AND CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT IS ACHIEVED.



# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND GOALS SETTING

#### TRAINING AND AWARNESS IN THE ISO 9001:2008 STANDARD

Training requirements in ISO 9001:2008 are specific. Resource Management is geared to training and related issues.

Training needs are identified before an employee is hired. Employee competence is emphasized in ISO:9001:2008 and at LAPP, it is critical to our success.

The added emphasis in ISO 9001:2008 is with VALIDATING TRAINING. A COMPANY IS REQUIRED TO VALIDATE AND DOCUMENT THE EFFECTIVESS OF TRAINING.

Managers at the LAPP GROUP use the SMART METHOD in developing GOALS.

**S**pecific

Measurable

**A**ttainable

Relevant

Time-bound

During annual reviews, training needs are reviewed by departments managers. Training is validated and documented in the Employee Training Records.

#### **GOALS AND TARGETS ARE MEASURABLE:**

Managers and their teams analyze goals periodically

Determine changes that effect performance

Adjust targets to achieve objectives



# LAPP GROUP NORTH AMERICA CORPORATE DIRECTIVES AND PROCEDURES

Corporate directives are implemented worldwide at all Lapp subsidiaries to provide consistency in practice.

	Corporate directives			
10-646-EN	Quality Alert			
10-643-EN	Problem Solving Methods	-	Individual subsidiary procedures are implemented to address their business	
10-641-EN	Initial Sample		requirements.	
10-619-EN	Archiving			
10-293-EN	Complaint Handling		<ul><li>Distribution</li><li>Manufacturing</li></ul>	
10-629-EN	Guidelines to archiving forms.		♦ Value-added	
10-605-EN	Approval of suppliers and products for the Lapp Groups.			
10-641-EN	Risk dependent Approval Process Products / Suppliers.			
10-602-EN	Attachment guidelines for commissioning & acceptance of production machines. Purchase and approval production machines			
10-607-EN	Archive purposes in Lapp Group			
10-609-EN	Archiving forms/preservation of records			
10-620-EN	Rrelease new catalog			
10-621-EN	Product names			
10-623-EN	Product owner Lapp Group			
10-646-EN	Quality Alert			
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Corporate directives are implemented and incorporated in the QMS at all LAPP HOLDING NORTH AMERICA subsidiaries. Compliance to Corporate Directives is verified at time of internal audit.

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Keith Myrick Chief Technology Officer Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Holding, N.A.

With over 20 years' experience in the wire and cable industry, Keith has a long history of building, revitalizing and/or optimizing a company's organizational infra-structure, products, technologies, and processes. Over his career, Keith has developed expertise in employing innovative operational strategies while creating environments conducive of business development, organizational efficiency, and market growth.

In March of 2012, Keith joined the Lapp Group as Executive Vice President of Lapp Cable Works (LCW). In this role, Keith leads the manufacturing operations of LCW with a focus on driving improvement and operational excellence. Keith employs an analytical leadership style driven by data, market trends, and competitive knowledge to position the Lapp manufacturing arm for sustained growth and continued support of market needs through innovation, quality, and best in class employees. In 2014, Keith became Chief Technology Officer for Lapp Group Holdings, N.A.

Keith obtained his Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. He also holds several professional certifications in the field of operational improvement methodologies.

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**Darlene McBride** Director of Quality, N.A. Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Holding, N.A. Years at current position: 15

#### Primary roles & responsibilities for current position:

- Maintain ISO9001:2008 QMS Programs for Lapp Holding, N.A.
- Maintain CTPAT registration for Lapp Holding, N.A.
- Insure Lapp Holding, N.A. compliance to Directives of Lapp Holding, AG
- Develop and monitor inspection plans to insure excellence in product quality
- Responsible for internal audits at LUSA, LCW and Lapp Canada
- 2007S/P Certified Auditor for Lapp Group Audit Suppliers RC1-3, as required

### Specializing in:

- Implementation of Quality Management/Compliance System
- **Establishing Internal Auditing Systems**

#### Certifications:

- Certified Quality Auditor ASQ CQA certification
- Certification RAB Auditor Certified Manager Front-line Leadership
- Lean-Six Sigma
- Chambers of Commerce Notary Public
- NAFTA Documentation

### List of active membership to professional or social groups:

- American Society of Quality—Fellow Membership
- American Society of Quality North Jersey Section—Education Committee
- National Notary Association

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Certified all N.A. subsidiaries to ISO9001:2008 sustained certification
- Set up a VIP Inspection Plan-Certified parts and vendor performance to reduce inspections
- Satisfied requirements to get Certification in CTPAT Membership for Lapp Holding, N.A.
- Set-up Internal Auditing Program at Lapp Holding, N.A.
- Implemented Circle of Excellence Nomination and Reward Program for Lapp Holding, N.A.

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Eladio (Larry) Alvelo Quality Analyst/Inspector

Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Holding, N.A.

Years with Lapp: 7

#### Primary roles & responsibilities for current position:

- Handles customer complaints/RGA
- Monitors Nonconforming Area, prepares, maintains and posts Hold Tag Report
- Performs Incoming, In-Process, and Receiving Inspections

#### Specializing in:

Analysis, Root Cause Detection, and Inspections

#### Certifications:

- Music Association
- Song Writer and Composer
- Member of ASCAP American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Increase Service Performance Root Cause Detection/Analysis
- Achieving monthly goals for RGA and Inspections

#### List of membership to professional or social groups:

American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers

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**Americo Castellanos** Quality Auditor/Inspector Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Holding, N.A.

#### **Primary Roles & Responsibilities for Current Position:**

- Perform internal audits per ISO Standard/CTPAT/Corporate Directives
- Perform incoming and receiving inspections
- Provide and maintain equipment calibration

### Specializing in:

- Internal Audits (ISO Scope 9001/CTPAT)
- Inspection & Test
- Calibration
- Assemblies Drawings/Inspections

#### **Certifications:**

- Certification in IPC-A-610, Acceptability of Electronic Assemblies Class Level 3
- ANSI/IPC-A-610 Certified Inspector
- I-STD001 Certified Solderer
- Calibration and Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) SME/trainer
- National Institute for the Certification in Engineering Technology (NICET)
- Tau Alpha Pi National Honor Society

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**Michael Yohannes Quality Assurance Lead** Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Tannehill

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#### **Primary Roles & Responsibilities:**

- Responsible for all PPAP, PSW, ISIR, and FAI requirements
- Create and performs special inspection instructions for print controlled items
- Respond to all Customer Survey's and Questionnaires and Complaints
- Conduct Internal Audits
- Responsible for Nonconforming product
- Process Corrective and Preventative actions
- Root Cause analysis
- Analysis of nonconformance's utilizing Pareto charts and other tools
- Maintains Calibration and Preventative maintenance records of all tools
- Prepares monthly quality reports and analytics

#### Specializing in:

- Calibration and preventative maintenance
- Corrective Actions
- Internal Audits

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Assisted in ISO Audit and many Customer Audits
- Created inspection verification documents for largest customer

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Eric Carlson
Director of Operations
Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Tannehill
Years at Current Position: 26

# Primary Roles & Responsibilities:

- Maintain ISO9001:2008 QMS Program for Lapp Tannehill
- Insure Lapp Tannehill compliance to Directives of Lapp Holding, N.A.
- Develop and drive continuous improvements thorough out the company
- Responsible for the QMS including internal audits, document control, corrective and preventative actions, and calibration.
- Responsible for all IT systems
- Responsible for all logistics activities at all Lapp Tannehill locations

#### Specializing in:

- Implementation of Quality Management/Compliance Systems
- Establishing Internal Auditing Systems
- Development and implementation of Operations systems
- Root Cause analysis

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Implemented ISO9001:2008 for Lapp Tannehill Sustained/Update Certifications
- Developed and implemented CRM system
- Relocation Minnesota Headquarters
- Opened branch warehouses in Nevada and Texas

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Christopher Ayers
Quality Assurance Lead
Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Cable Works

#### **Primary Roles & Responsibilities:**

Years at Current Position: 1

- Implement quality control procedures and provides revisions to maximize efficiency and promote continual improvement
- Create and performs special inspection utilizing state of the art equipment and methodologies
- Respond to all Customer Complaints Performs Root Cause/Pareto Analysis
- Maintain Calibration System in accordance with ISO9001:2008 requirements
- Responsible for Nonconforming product
- Process Corrective and Preventative actions
- Prepares monthly quality reports and analytics

#### Specializing in:

- Implementation of inspection plans/systems
- Implementation and Maintaining Calibration Systems
- Preventative/Corrective Actions Continual Improvement with Operational Excellence
- UL/CSA Testing Requirements and Compliance

#### List of Membership to professional or social groups:

- NJIT Young Alumni Club
- ASME
- ASQ Full Membership

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Maintain ISO9001:2008 Compliance Requirements
- Maintain UL/CSA Regulatory Compliances
- Created a digital Inspection System which increased efficiency by 50%
- Maximized Retention Volume by implementation of a "Paperless System"

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Manuel Dominguez

Quality Assurance Manager

Lapp Subsidiary: Lapp Mexico

### Primary Roles & Responsibilities:

- Responsible for sustaining requirements of ISO9001:2008
- Analyzes Customer Complaints and Prepares 8D Responses
- Maintain Calibration System in accordance with ISO9001:2008 requirements
- Responsible for Nonconforming product
- Process Corrective and Preventative actions
- Prepares monthly quality reports and analytics

#### Specializing in:

- Continuous improvement processes
- 5S Implementation
- UL/CSA Testing Requirements and Compliance

#### Major Accomplishments at Lapp:

- Maintain ISO9001:2008 Compliance Requirements
- Maintain 2007S Requirements
- Implement Cutting audit process

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