

CASE STUDY

Ontario automotive parts manufacturer implements integrated compliance management system and auditing platform

Location: Ontario, Canada

Industry: Automotive Manufacturer

"With Nimonik, we saved 30 hours doing audits and 24 days of work monitoring EHS legislation!"

- Tyler Tilker, F&P Mfg Inc.



Summary

F&P Mfg. Inc., a car parts and components manufacturer for Honda, faced challenges in keeping up with the frequent changes in regulations and legislation while ensuring compliance and efficient auditing processes. The company sought a cost-effective solution that would provide access to legislation, simplify compliance monitoring, and streamline audits.

Tyler, from F&P, discovered [Nimonik](#) during his search for a comprehensive solution that integrated legal compliance information with an audit tool. Impressed by the features and benefits, Tyler and his team chose Nimonik for its rapid access to legislation, user-friendly summaries of legislative changes, and an

integrated audit system. The email notifications for legislation changes were particularly useful in keeping their ISO 14001 legal register up to date.

Implementing Nimonik EHS Updates at F&P was a quick and straightforward process, taking less than a week. Tyler found the system easy to navigate and appreciated the clear summaries of legislative changes, even exploring additional amendments out of interest. F&P further enhanced their processes by deploying iPads and using Nimonik's Audit Module, resulting in improved audit data quality and streamlined corrective action follow-up.

Company Overview

F&P Mfg. Inc. is a prominent Tier 1 Automotive Parts Manufacturer based in Tottenham, Ontario. With expertise in automotive component manufacturing, the company offers metal stamping, welding, hydroforming, e-coat, and modular assembly services. Producing over 58 million component parts annually for more than 18 different current models, F&P Mfg. Inc. is known for its commitment to excellence.

F&P Mfg. Inc. prioritizes continuous improvement to stay ahead in the competitive automotive manufacturing industry. The company emphasizes delivering high-quality products on time and at competitive costs while ensuring a safe and healthy work environment. With a focus on flexibility, creativity, and a positive attitude, F&P Mfg. Inc. consistently challenges its quality commitments through the integration of new technologies and ideas.



[Tyler Tilker](#)

Environmental, Advisor and Inspector

Tyler maintains an ISO 14001 system, conducts compliance audits and manages the MSDS system and the Recycling Program.

The Challenge

F&P Mfg Inc. makes car parts and components for Honda. Operations include stamping, welding, hydroforming and painting. F&P has been in business for 27 years and employs people working 3 shifts a day, 7 days a week!

Tyler explains that F&P wanted to find a legislation monitoring service because the “constant changes to

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regulations and legislation make it difficult to stay up to date with all the changes. It is also difficult interpreting some of the laws.”

Tyler also wanted a more efficient solution for collecting audit findings and issuing corrective actions and reports. F&P conducts 30 inspections per year of the factory and, as Tyler recalls, they were stretched thin using just “emails and manpower.”

Tyler needed a simple solution that could address his needs and be adopted without a difficult transition period.

The Search

- Tyler looked on the web for a cost-effective solution for both ISO 14001 compliance maintenance and regular factory inspections.
- Nimonik interested Tyler because of the “incorporation of the audit tool with the legal compliance information.”

The Solution

- Tyler and his team at F&P chose Nimonik because of the rapid access to legislation, easy-to-understand summaries of legislative changes and an integrated audit system.
- Another feature that appealed to Tyler was the email notification when legislation changes. He realized that this was an effective way of keeping the ISO 14001 legal register up to date at all times.

The Implementation

- The implementation of Nimonik EHS Updates at F&P took less than a week.
- Tyler describes what it was like to use the new system: “First time I tried Nimonik legal compliance management software, it was pretty straightforward. A few regulations we were alerted about did not apply to us(i.e. Fire Code, Fishery Act). At first I thought it was painful, but ultimately it was a good review process.” Better safe than sorry.
- In the end, Tyler finds the system “easy to navigate.”
- Tyler also appreciates the easy-to-understand summaries of legislative changes. “I even checked some other amendments just for fun,” he admits. Crazy guy!

- After using EHS Updates, F&P also deployed iPads and the Nimonik Audit Module. “The audit tool implementation went very well. The customer service was good also.”
- F&P speaks to Nimonik on a regular basis and Tyler has regularly spoken with Nimonik’s president, Jonathan.

The Results

- F&P moved their ISO 14001 legal register to Nimonik in 2011 and started using Nimonik for environmental, health and safety audits in 2014.
- As Tyler sees it, the main benefits of using Nimonik are: “simple tracking of all legislation in many different areas,” with “big time savings on the legal tracking and the audits.”
- Tyler finds that he has “increased overall knowledge on many regulations. A lot of regulations we did not know existed, we are now familiar with.”
- Other benefits include “improved morale (tablets are always fun) and improved quality of the audit data and corrective actions follow-up.”
- Next up for F&P is implementing Nimonik quality audits in 2016.
- “The amount of content available is extremely attractive. If any law changes, we have great faith to be able to find it there or contact Nimonik.”

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