

What is AISC Certification

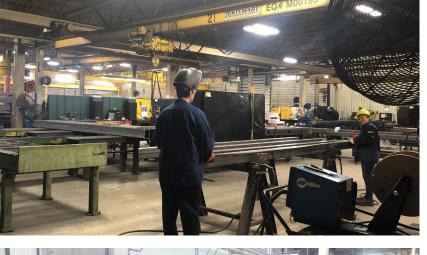
The American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC), is a not-for-profit technical institute and trade association established in 1921 that sets the quality standard for the structural steel industry. They are the most recognized national quality certification program for the industry. Their mission is to make structural steel the material of choice by being the leader in steel-related technical and market-building activities such as specification and code development, research, education, technical assistance, quality certification, standardization and market development.

AISC Certified companies have been through a rigorous evaluation and are subject to annual audits. These evaluations require a comprehensive administrative review, a documentation audit, and an on-site audit of the firm's quality management system.

AISC accreditation demonstrates commitment to quality and allows fabricators to focus on the entire process, increase productivity, and prove that they have systems in place to focus on *error prevention* instead of *error correction*.

All CEAS+ structures are manufactured in an AISC certified facility.







Benefits of an AISC Certified Manufacturer

AISC certification ensures that manufacturers have the personnel, knowledge, equipment, experience, procedures and capability to produce quality work. Having an AISC certification improves consistency of operations and demonstrates commitment to quality.

The processes set by AISC also make sure manufacturers meet rigorous (and constantly evolving) industry standards.

AISC Audits are significantly different than "product inspection" since inspection does not focus on the root cause of error and prevention. The program does not look at specific projects but rather focuses on management, engineering, drafting, procurement, operations, and quality control.

They also require participants to set goals so that they continually improve over time, ensuring that you receive the best quality structure in the industry.

Higher Quality

Rigorous standards set by technical institute Focus on prevention not correction Helps prequalify in bidding process May waive field inspections

Greater Accountability

Third party oversight Internal audits Subject to physical inspection at any time

Improved Efficiency

Consistent processes
Quicker production times
Prevent errors that affect bottom line
Identify improvement areas

Increased Safety

Greater training requirements Written safety plan Higher specs Operator certifications



