



AWI 26102: 2017 (Global Active City)

Context

This standard was born out of a shared commitment to the promotion of physical activity, sport and sustainable health within an urban environment and the multifaceted health and social benefits that can accrue. There is ample evidence that the world faces significant health and lifestyle challenges in the 21st Century and a growing urban population and declining levels of physical activity are linked issues that require immediate intervention.

Opportunities for Physical Activity and Sport for All are centrally important to the development and maintenance of individual and collective well-being and the treatment and recovery of ill-being.

Physical Activity has long been recognised as a key contributor to health and well-being. It has a positive impact on biological, psychological, and social dimensions of health, as well as on risk factors for noncommunicable diseases such as stroke, diabetes, certain cancers, cardiovascular diseases, depression, high blood pressure, obesity and osteoporosis. Physical Activity is a compelling area of focus for population health. The impact is even greater among economically or socially marginalised groups who tend to be less active such as people with disabilities, low income groups, migrant populations and ethnic minorities.

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Objectives

The AWI 26102, also called GAC (Global Active City) standard, enables leaders to embrace a governance model that meets today's and tomorrow's challenges. The implementation of a Physical Activity and Sport for All management system provides the framework to allow any specific urban population to address these issues. The GAC label is the ultimate recognition of the implementation of the **Physical Activity and Sport for All (PASA)** management system and the achievement of the certification process.

Target audience

All AWI 26102 requirements are generic and conceived to be applicable to all cities, irrespective of their size, population, social or economic situation.

Recognition

The certificate AWI 26102 of ProCert is recognised nationally and internationally. AWI is supported by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)

Benefit for the certified client

The AWI 26102 specifies the requirements of a PASA management system when a city:

- a) shall demonstrate its implementation of a system for the governance and control of Physical Activity and Sport for All principles.
- aims to deliver significant benefits in fighting noncommunicable diseases and their key drivers such as physical inactivity and poor lifestyles, whilst promoting mental health for all and social inclusion.
 It also proves that ambitious policy making and investments in such fields is fully compatible with economic growth and enhanced global profile.

Validity of certificate

4 years

Audit

Annual audits by ProCert including remote techniques

Possible combinations

With regard to the development of integrated management systems AWI 26102 can be used in combination with the standard ISO 20121 (sustainable events). The new structure (High Level Structure, HLS) simplifies the integration of other ISO standards. In future all ISO standards shall be revised according to HLS.

Owner

The Active Well-being Initiative (AWI) is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation, founded in 2017. It is based in Lausanne, Switzerland, and operates under Swiss law. The AWI enables cities to enhance the well-being of their population, while receiving international recognition for their progress through a certification process. Citizens are empowered and engaged in order to adopt a more active and healthy lifestyle. The approach and methodology is based on international standards and tools, and supported by a network of field experts. The AWI provides a framework, developed according to an ISO-compatible standardisation process, promoting active well-being-for all, through physical activity, sports, healthy lifestyles and sustainable urban living.

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