VDA 2 - Production Process and Product Approval (PPA)

Quality Assurance for Supplies

Check-up for new parts!
Before starting the serial production suppliers have to prove that their products and connecting processes do fulfill the necessary requirements in quality both internally and with the customers. This method is called “Production Process and Product Approval (PPA)” and is described in VDA Volume 2 “Quality Assurance for Supplies”.

In the context of globalization and digitalization of the working environment such an uniform procedure of PPA has become a central task within the quality management. Therefore this VDA Volume 2 (6th edition) is aiming for an even more standardized release procedure to enhance the cooperation between company and customer.
More standardization and further improvements...

Scope, content and schedule should be agreed and established previously. That is why this planning and coordination will be involved in the process and is even more important than before.

Further news in VDA Volume 2 “Quality Assurance for Supplies” (2020):
• The topic software release is now included.
• Release levels have been changed.
• Because of a now included self-assessment for the company concerning products and connecting processes documents to be transmitted can be reduced.
• The trigger for the PPA process and the proof for internal and external release are discussed.
• The responsibility of the company in terms of the creation of all necessary documents is pointed out.
• The evidence for the PPA process has been harmonized with the process of AIAG.

Furthermore the submission levels are eliminated and through this individual experience of customers become more relevant.
Conclusion: Interface optimization in focus

The new VDA Volume 2 (6th edition in 2020) will promote a partnership through a standardized release procedure within the supply chain. This leads to less friction loss within the interface between company and customer.

Outlook

The new VDA Volume 2 will be published in May 2020 and VDA QMC will offer training courses for “VDA 2 - Production Process and Product Approval (PPA)” at the same time.
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