

Food and Beverage Industry Newsletter - Q2 2018

Is your calibration program audit ready?

Audits can be a source of tremendous anxiety. Whether it's your ISO or FDA audit, or simply an internal one, audits put a great deal of stress on all parties involved. J.A. King has a great deal of experience working with customers before, during and after an audit. To help you feel confident heading into your next audit, we've put together a <u>Top Ten Tips for Audit Ready Calibration checklist</u>.



Even after all of our tips, are you still not feeling as confident as you should be heading into your audit? J.A. King offers a variety of audit prep services including <u>calibration program audits</u>, tool and <u>gage sweeps</u> and <u>in-audit support</u> to help you get ready and get through. Visit our website to see the full range of <u>audit preparation services</u> we can provide.



J.A. King worked with Winston-Salem-based Ingredion, a manufacturer of liquid sweeteners, to provide a third-party assessment of their calibration program. After a "deep dive" into Ingredion's quality system, J.A. King identified fourteen potential audit findings and over 30 areas for improvement. Ingredion not only avoided the costs involved if they were found - over \$200,000 - but ended up reducing their calibration cost as well. Click the button to read the full case study.

READ THE CASE STUDY

Batching: To automate or keep it manual

Many food and beverage companies struggle with the decision to automate their batching processes. Manual batching is often labor intensive and messy. It can also lead to missed ingredients, poor batch consistency and keeping up with inventory is a nightmare. On the flip side, manual processes are easy to implement and change.

An automated batching system can improve product quality and increase efficiency and throughput. However, the complexity and commitment required by many batching applications often makes the decision to switch from a manual to automated system a difficult one.





Traditional Batching Method

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Automated Batching - Batch Wizard

J.A. King has tremendous experience helping customers improve their batching processes. We've come up with <u>five important considerations</u> when contemplating whether or not to automate your batching process. If you still have questions about whether partially or completely automating your batching process may be right for you, contact us to set up a time to meet with your Application Specialist.

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New to GageSuite: Requesting Calibration

J.A. King is always improving GageSuite[™], our cloud-based calibration management software. You can now request calibration - either on-site or in one of our labs - through the software. Simply click on the GageSuite menu on the top of the home screen and complete the online forms.

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