

Overview

Working safely is for people at any level, in any sector, needing a grounding in the essentials of health and safety. Everyone at work should have an understanding of why they must 'work safely' – and this course offers exactly that.

What will their employer get out of it?

Nationally recognised and respected certificated training for their teams

Peace of mind offered by training that's designed and quality-controlled by the Chartered body for health and safety

Working safely meets the government's guidelines for introductory health and safety training is a 100 per cent match to the Health and Safety Executive's 'passport' syllabus

Two key areas – health and safety and environmental basics – covered in a single self-contained session

Programme

Module 1 – Introducing working safely

It's not unusual for delegates coming on an introductory course to think that accidents only happen to 'other people'. This module stresses the realities of the human suffering behind the statistics and emphasises the importance of personal responsibility.

Module 2 – Defining hazard and risk

This module puts 'hazard' and 'risk' into every day language, and uses familiar examples to show what can happen. Importantly, it makes it clear that even something that is very simple or repeated over and over again can go wrong, with serious consequences. Focusing on the six broad hazard groups, delegates are asked to think about the hazards and risks they come across in their own work. 'Risk assessment' is demystified – delegates learn that we all carry out informal assessments day in, day out.

Module 3 – Identifying common hazards

All the main issues are covered in this module – entrances and exits, work traffic, fire, chemicals, electricity, physical and verbal abuse, bullying, stress, noise and the working environment, slips, trips and falls, and manual handling. Each area is backed by crystal clear examples and recognisable scenarios, and useful summaries reinforce the key learning points.

Module 4 – Improving safety performance

This module deals with systems and processes, making sure that any jargon is explained in easily understood terms. The sessions bridges the gap between management and workforce, encouraging delegates to play a part in processes that are commonly seen as just down to their manager or supervisor. Other areas – including contract work, inspections, safe systems and permits, protective equipment, signage, emergency procedures, reporting and health checks – are all focused on from the delegate's point of view

Module 5 – Protecting our environment

A short but effective introduction to waste and pollution leads into a look at how organisations and individual team members can get involved in reducing environmental impacts. Memorable and thought-provoking facts and figures help drive the points home.

Delegates who successfully complete the written and practical assessments can choose between IOSH's Working Safely certificate or a credit card-sized 'passport' card