

Safety, Health and Environment for Construction Site Managers



**Syllabus Guide** 

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# Who is the course for?

It is for people with line management responsibilities working in construction and need to understand their legal and practical health and safety and environmental responsibilities.

# Course content

Our construction tutors can come to your site to deliver IOSH Safety, Health and Environment for construction site managers. As part of the course, managers will learn a variety of techniques to correctly implement the following:

### Setting the scene

The learner will understand:

- The unique issues to be managed in the construction industry to protect employees, contractors, neighbours and others.
- Aspects of successful health and safety management.

#### Local law and enforcement

The learner will understand:

- The basics of UK law.
- The legal duties of the employer, self-employed and employees in the prevention of accidents.
- The powers and enforcement options of the local health and safety enforcement bodies.
- The benefits of putting a robust health and safety policy in place.
- The legal requirements for the provision of information, training and instruction.
- The main provisions of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015.

### Preparing for work - general management of the site, workers and contractors

The learner will understand:

- The principles of good leadership, management and employee consultation, engagement and influencing behaviour.
- Why good site inductions and communication are critical in ensuring a site remains safe.
- The importance of competent, trained site personnel.
- The importance of toolbox talks to convey / reinforce health and safety messages.
- The importance of risk assessments and the development process.
- PPE / RPE requirements.
- Typical signage and its significance.
- The importance of method statements.
- The use of permits to work.
- Typical emergency scenarios and procedures for dealing with these.
- The importance of drills and tests.
- Requirements for site first-aid arrangements.
- Key considerations for managing fire hazards.
- Responsibilities for managing fire risks.

- The importance of managing environmental aspects and impacts related to construction projects.
- A range of local and global environmental impacts.
- The main environmental elements to be protected and the actions to be taken in order to achieve this.
- Common ecological issues pertaining to construction sites and the management arrangements required.
- Causes of nuisance and measures to mitigate nuisance.
- How land can become contaminated and the actions required to manage work on contaminated ground.
- The pollution pathway, causes of pollution and prevention measures.
- Different types of waste.
- The waste control hierarchy and how to manage waste control documentation and processes.

## Setting up the site

The learner will understand:

- Site requirements for the welfare of construction workers on site.
- Management of plant and equipment, including mobile plant.
- The importance of segregating vehicles and pedestrians and maintaining a safe site.
- The hazards and controls for slips, trips and falls.
- The key elements of setting out a construction site.

### Construction phase health and safety

The learner will understand:

- Legal and procedural issues associated with the management of lifting operations.
- How to manage lifting operations safely.
- Inspection regime for lifting equipment.
- Excavation risks.
- Control and management of excavation work.
- Control and management of confined spaces.
- Rescue procedures from confined spaces.
- Control and management of fixed electrical systems and electrical equipment on site.
- Emergency procedures for electrical incidents.
- The control of the management of overhead and underground services.
- The control of the management of temporary works.
- Management of mobile, lone and out-of-hours workers.
- The key issues and control of working at height including:
  - plans and risk assessments;
  - roofs and fragile surfaces;
  - common access equipment;
  - working platforms and ladders;
  - management, use and stability of scaffolds;
  - fall arrest and suspension equipment.
- The hazards and risks of work equipment, including mobile plant and machinery, and the methods to control use of these.
- The key issues and controls associated with mental health.
- Hazards, risks and control of asbestos.
- Hazards, risks and control of lead.
- Hazards, risks and control of noise.
- Hazards, risks and control of vibration.
- Hazards, risks and control of manual handling activities.

- Hazards, risks and control of hazardous substances.
- Hazards, risks and identification of drug and alcohol problems in the workplace.
- The importance of measuring, monitoring and reporting health and safety performance in the workplace.
- The use of information to demonstrate that health and safety is being managed effectively.
- Factors to consider when building and preparing for an inspection.

#### **Accidents**

The learner will understand:

- Why accidents occur, through investigation of root causes
- Human factors and their role in accidents.
- The reporting of accidents and incidents and how this can be used to identify trends in the workplace.
- How to identify and implement corrective actions.

#### Recap and questions; exam

Learners will be able to demonstrate understanding of the course syllabus through passing the examination.



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