

COSHH AWARENESS

Introduction

Employers have a duty to ensure that employees are made aware of any hazardous substances to which they may be exposed to at work.

Course Objectives

- Legal duties of employer and employees
- The nature of substances
- Routes of entry
- Target organs
- Hazard classification
- Using data sheets to best advantage
- The contents of a COSHH risk assessment
- Control measures
- Personal protective equipment
- Safe storage and disposal
- Health surveillance and monitoring
- Sources of information

Duration: 3 Hour Course

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Course Content

Legal duties

- Outline of COSHH regulations
- Employers duties
- Employees responsibilities

Nature of substances

- Chemical forms and types
- Classification of hazards
- Routes of entry
- Target organs

Risk assessment

- Contents of a COSHH risk assessment
- Use of data sheets
- Assessment of risk

Controlling the risk

- Steps to reducing risk
- Control measures
- Personal protective equipment – selection and use
- Safe storage
- Safe disposal
- Health surveillance and exposure monitoring

Sources of information

- Where to find information
- HSE and other publications

