

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

