

HSE Award in Managing Risks and Risk Assessment at Work



Syllabus Guide



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Overall learning outcomes

On completion of the course, you'll be able to understand:

- The reasons for managing health and safety risks including competence of those involved and the importance of consultation with relevant workers
- Effectively manage risk , which will involve identification and understanding of risk potential and its control
- Where to find sources of information to help identify and manage risk, and the application of the HSE risk assessment tools.

Full course syllabus

Element 1: Why Manage Health and Safety Risks

- 1.1 Basic definitions
- Reasons for managing health and safety risks
- The management of health and safety as an enabler for workplace activities and the proportionate reduction of risk
- 1.2 An introduction to the steps for managing risk

Element 2: Managing risk: identification, understanding and control

- 2.1 Identifying and understanding the risks
- In assessing the risks, deciding on the following:
 - Who might be harmed and how
 - What is already being done to control the risks
 - What further action is needed to control the risks



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- Who needs to carry out the identified action
- When must the action be completed
- In controlling the risk
- Record any significant findings
- The controls put in place must be reviewed to make sure they are working.
- 2.2 What ensures a risk assessment is suitable and sufficient
- Application of risk assessment for specific types of risk and special cases
- 2.3 Distinction between prevention and mitigation and risk control principles

Element 3

• 3.1 Sources of information that can be used to identify hazards

Course Assessment

A practical assessment is completed at the end of the course. You will be asked to watch a video of a real workplace and complete a risk assessment to identify how you would manage and prioritise.

