Award in Health and Safety for Construction Workers

Applying for this course:

To apply for this course, you should be 16 years of age or older and have basic knowledge of ICT, including the use of MS Office and MS Teams. The latter is applicable only if learner chooses to follow the course online.

If you do not have these qualifications but possess other qualifications or relevant experience, kindly contact us on qa.jobsplus@gov.mt stating your ID card number, attaching copies of your qualifications and a copy of your CV highlighting your work experience.

Course Duration

This course is of 10 hours duration and consists of one Module:

Module 1 is of 10 hours duration - (including 1-hour assessment)

General pedagogical guidelines and procedures for this course:

The delivery of this Course will be mainly held through a series of discussions and class work exercises. These will enable learners to practice and consolidate the classroom training. The trainer will also be holding lessons with the learners which will consist of various presentations, including demonstrations.

General assessment policy and procedures for this course:

The learner will be assessed through a written test by the end of the module. The assessment paper will consist of multiple-choice questions and will be 1 hour long.

The pass mark for all the assessments is 45%.

Module 1 Learning Outcomes – Health and Safety for Construction Workers

- Acquire competences of risk assessment methods relevant to construction sites, confined areas, road works, electricity distribution, steel structure works and asbestos
- State where to display suitable equipment for the prevention of harm and protection of personnel and property
- Describe an appropriate action response sequence in the event of an emergency
- ✓ Identify and evaluate health and safety procedures in a construction site using basic risk assessment principles and processes
- Explain what one's responsibilities are in the event of an emergency
- ✓ Illustrate one's ability to follow emergency response processes and procedures in an emergency
- ✓ Prepare clear and concise reports detailing the risks and recommended preventive measures
- ✓ Identify and define the basic role and responsibilities under the Health and Safety Act Malta
- Understand the importance of using protective clothing at the place of work, and the hazards and dangers associated with the use of tools and equipment
- ✓ Understand the importance of collaborating with colleagues and superiors at the workplace
- ✓ Be aware of basic common hazards at the place of work which may include (dangerous substances, explosive materials, inflammable substances, cause of fires, electrical hazards
- ✓ Be aware of the basic emergency procedures at the place or work including emergency telephone numbers
- ✓ Define the dangers and hazards when working at heights, on scaffoldings and in confined spaces
- ✓ List the importance of maintaining tools and equipment in good state and repair

- ✓ Define key concepts such as hazard, risk, risk assessment, and risk management
- ✓ Identify the types of documentation required for compliance with health and safety legislation
- ✓ Identify best practices in reporting and documenting Occupational Health and Safety issues
- ✓ Assess best practices for ongoing improvement while reviewing how to manage risks
- Plan where to display suitable equipment for the prevention of harm and protection of personnel and property
- ✓ Demonstrate a high level of awareness and vigilance regarding potential hazards in the workplace
- ✓ Apply the principles of Occupational Health and Safety Act (Malta) in the workplace
- Practice methods of identification and communication of hazards
- ✓ Demonstrate and explain how to record and take follow-up corrective and preventive actions and reports them accordingly
- ✓ Evaluate levels of risks in the workplace
- Operate within the parameters of current Occupational Health and Safety legislation in Malta
- Report and document Occupational Health and Safety issues
- ✓ Interpret relevant sections of current Occupational Health and Safety legislation
- ✓ Assess best practices for ongoing improvement while reviewing how to manage risks
- Demonstrate the use of various equipment for the prevention of harm and the protection of personnel and property
- ✓ Use an appropriate action response sequence to an emergency

Module 1 Assessment:

The learner will be assessed by undergoing a summative assessment in the form of a written test. The written assessment is 1 hour long and will consist of multiple choice questions. Pass mark is that of 45%.

The Malta Further and Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) deems this certificate to be at Level 1 of the Malta Qualifications Framework and the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning. This course comprises study modules to which a total of 1 ECTS points are assigned.