Certificate in Fire Risk Assessment

Course description

Under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, it is no longer the duty of the fire services to make sure that the workplace is safe. That duty lies with the responsible person and they will be held accountable under the new legislation. The Level 2 Certificate in Fire Risk Assessment provides formal recognition of an individual's ability to undertake a fire risk assessment in line with the Health and Safety Executive's guidance. Accredited by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA) at Level 2 in the National Qualifications Framework.

Key benefits

- A nationally recognised, transferable qualification based on the Health and Safety Executive's guidance to the regulations.
- Allows an employer to get the responsible person properly qualified to carry out fire risk assessments, helping them to meet their legal obligations.
- Up-to-date and practical training supplemented with completely new learning materials and specially developed interactive learning sessions.
- A fit for purpose assessment task related directly to the candidates workplace, testing the application of learning in a practical context.

Course framework

Our training utilises the very latest learning methods, with special emphasis on participative and interactive techniques. Overall, the aim of our training is to share knowledge and practical experience and, through tutor-led sessions, build on that experience so that every participant is able to manage risk assessment effectively and realistically.

The training sets out to develop sound and practical knowledge and understanding for day-to-day application in the workplace and prepares each participant for the Level 2 qualification assessment.

Course content

- Reasons for conducting fire risk assessments.
- Main legislation relating to fire risk assessment.
- Determining the responsible person.
- Risk assessment approach to fire safety.
- Competencies required of fire risk assessors.
- Principles of the Fire Triangle and fire prevention.
- Main causes of fire in different occupancies.
- Recognising fire hazards in the workplace.

- Identifying the location of people at risk.
- Evaluating the adequacy of existing arrangements
  - Principles of separation
  - Detection and warning systems
  - Means of escape
  - Fire fighting
  - Maintenance and testing of equipment
  - Fire procedures
  - Fire safety training
- Recording the findings of a fire risk assessment
- Making recommendations based on the findings
- Reviewing and revising a fire risk assessment

Assessment arrangements

Candidates complete a workplace-based risk assessment task and submit this electronically to BSC Awards for marking by an external examiner. Results and certificates are issued within ten days.

Duration

This is a one-day, instructor-led course.