

BSC LEVEL 2 AWARD IN RISK ASSESSMENT

The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 require employers to conduct suitable and sufficient risk assessments. The Level 2 Award in Risk Assessment provides formal recognition of an individual's ability to undertake such a risk assessment in line with the Health and Safety Executive's Five Steps to Risk Assessment. Accredited by Ofqual at Level 2 in the Qualifications and Credit Framework.

WHO IT'S FOR

The Level 2 Award in Risk Assessment is a qualification specifically designed for those employees with responsibility for carrying out risk assessments in the workplace.

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

This qualification teaches candidates how to carry out a risk assessment in line with the HSE's Five Steps to Risk Assessment and leads to a Level 2 award.

COURSE CONTENT

The Level 2 Award in Risk Assessment covers the following topics:

- Reasons for Conducting Risk Assessments
- Main Legislation Relating to Risk Assessment
- Techniques for Collecting Evidence
- Limitations of Techniques for Collecting Evidence
- Identifying Health and Safety Hazards
- Identifying Who Might Be at Harm and How
- Calculating an Appropriate Risk Rating
- Factors Affecting the Likelihood of Harm
- Factors Affecting the Severity of Harm
- Identifying and Evaluating Existing Control Measures
- Proposing Additional Control Measures
- Applying the Hierarchy of Controls
- Revising a Risk Rating
- Recording the Findings of a Risk Assessment
- Making Recommendations Based on the Findings
- Reviewing and Revising a Risk Assessment

BENEFITS

- A nationally-recognised, transferable qualification based on the national occupational standards
- Allows employers to get more of their staff properly qualified to carry out risk assessments, helping them to meet their legal obligations
- A flexible learning model which allows organisations to prepare candidates as they wish using learning materials supplied by the British Safety Council
- A fit for purpose assessment task related directly to the candidate's workplace, testing the application of learning in a practical context

ASSESSMENT AND RESULTS

- Candidates complete a workplace based risk assessment task and submit this electronically to the British Safety Council for marking by an external examiner
- Results and certificates issued within ten days

"OUR INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME IS AIMED AT INJURED SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE UNDERTAKING A WORK PLACEMENT AS PART OF THEIR RECOVERY PATHWAY. IT WAS FELT THAT THE PROGRAMME SHOULD GIVE THEM A TRANSFERABLE QUALIFICATION. THE BSC LEVEL 2 AWARD IN RISK ASSESSMENT FITS THE BILL PERFECTLY."

Chris Allsopp, Quality Assurance and Compliance Manager,
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