



BRITISH SAFETY SERVICES

The NEBOSH National Certificate in Construction Safety and Health

This qualification has been specially established for health and safety advisers, site managers, CDM co-ordinators, employee representatives and others who will gain a comprehensive basic knowledge and understanding of occupational safety and health as it relates to construction activities

Course Aims

The NEBOSH National Certificate in Construction Safety and Health requires around 160 hours of study and is assessed by a combination of formal examination and a practical assessment.

Possession of the Construction Certificate will demonstrate an adequate knowledge and understanding of both the broad range of health and safety hazards associated with construction activities. This knowledge, coupled with the relevant experience, will give you the competence to advise on minimising health and safety related losses within the construction environment, so ensuring both legal compliance and reducing the costs of accidents and ill health at work.

Course Content

The course follows the syllabus as prescribed in the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health (NEBOSH). Assessment is via a site inspection and report and two written examinations (NGC1 & NCC2 see below).

Unit NGC 1 "The Management of Health and Safety" covers elements 1 – 8 which are as follows:

1. Foundations in construction health and safety
2. Health and safety policy
3. Organising for health and safety in construction
4. Promoting a positive health and safety culture
5. Risk assessment
6. Principles of control
7. Monitoring, review and audit
8. Incident and accident investigation, recording and reporting

Unit NCC 2 "Managing and Controlling Hazards in Construction Activities" covers units 1 – 12 which are as follows:

1. Construction law and management
2. Construction activities hazards and control
3. Movement of people and vehicles – hazards and control
4. Manual and mechanical handling hazards and control
5. Work equipment hazards and control
6. Electrical hazards and control
7. Fire hazards and control
8. Chemical and biological health hazards and control
9. Physical and psychological health hazards and control
10. Working at height – hazards and control
11. Excavations and confined spaces – hazards and control
12. Demolition hazards and control

Course Style

The primary method of learning will be via guided study and exercises to develop the knowledge and skills required for the final assessment. Considerable use will be made of videos and slide shows. Homework will be set at the end of every day, which will require 45-90 minutes study per evening.

Delegates' progress will be monitored through continuous assessment and evening work.

Reference Material

Each delegate will receive a course manual, which is designed to follow and complement the NEBOSH syllabus.

In addition BSS reference books will be available for individual and group work.

Recommended Reading

Introduction to Health and Safety in Construction: The Handbook for Construction Professionals and Students on NEBOSH and other Construction Courses by Phil Hughes and Ed Ferrett. ISBN-10: 075068111X. Typical cost: £32.00

Assessment

All participants will be required to carry out a 45 minute inspection of a construction site, after which they will be given 60 minutes to prepare a written report on their findings, using a report form provided, covering the hazards observed and remedial action recommended.

A written examination in the form of two individual papers will be sat on the final day, Part 1 am, Part 2 pm. Both papers are of 2 hours' duration.

The course tutors will mark the practical inspection reports in accordance with NEBOSH criteria and NEBOSH will mark the two written papers. Results will normally be advised within 10 weeks of examination date by NEBOSH.

Who is NEBOSH?

NEBOSH (the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health), is an independent examining body which was formed in the UK in 1979. NEBOSH has established itself as the authoritative national body in occupational safety and health.

Who is BSS?

British Safety Services is a major provider of training in the field of occupational safety and health both in the UK and abroad. BSS staff are specialists in their respective fields, and offer a range of presentation styles and techniques to make attendance as enjoyable and worthwhile as possible.

BSS is approved to deliver accredited courses by the main two health and safety bodies in the UK; the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health (NEBOSH) and the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH), as well as others, including CITB, CIEH, EIMA, ECITB, BSC and SPA Passport.