

COURSE CONTENT OVERVIEW

Warehouse Safety

This Warehouse Safety training course helps learners understand the risks posed by warehouse activities, including on-site vehicles, manual handling activities and storage. It teaches you how to control these risks with suitable safety measures, which ensures you protect the wellbeing of workers and comply with health and safety law.

Module 1: Introduction to Warehouse Health & Safety

This module provides an overview of why warehouse safety is important. It covers the common risks workers may face in a warehouse setting and explains everyone's legal responsibilities. It also discusses how to carry out risk assessments.

- The importance of warehouse safety training
- Common warehouse injuries
- Causes of warehouse injuries
- Legal responsibilities
- Employee responsibilities
- Risk assessment
- Consequences of non-compliance
- Employment considerations
- Training

Module 2: Health Hazards and Controls

This module outlines common hazards that may be present in a warehouse and how to control them.

- Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) hazards and controls
- Safety data sheets
- Hazard labelling and packaging
- Noise hazards and controls
- Vibration hazards and controls
- Asbestos hazards and controls
- Legionella hazards and controls
- Display screen equipment (DSE) hazards and controls
- Workplace stress
- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- First aid

Module 3: Slips and Trips, Electrical Safety and Fire Safety

This module focuses on common slip, trip and electrical hazards in a warehouse and explains the most effective way to control these risks. It also covers emergency and fire safety procedures, which ensure people can escape safely in a dangerous situation.

- Slip and trip hazards
- Preventing slip and trip hazards
- Floor contamination
- Electrical hazards
- Electrical safety legislation
- Preventing electrical hazards
- In case of emergency
- Duties on manufacturers, importers and distributors
- Fire safety controls

Module 4: Manual and Mechanical Handling and Work at Height

This module explains the risks posed by manual handling activities and emphasises the importance of reducing these risks with mechanical handling where possible. Mechanical handling comes with its own risks, so also requires safety controls. It also looks at the dangers of working at height and how to prevent them.

- Manual handling hazards in a warehouse
- Manual handling risk assessment
- Identifying manual handling risks
- Manual handling safety measures
- Mechanical handling
- Mechanical handling safety
- Working at height

Module 5: On-site Vehicle Safety

This module discusses the importance of controlling the risks posed by on-site vehicles. It covers how to set up safe traffic routes and what types of signs you should display, as well as safe practices that vehicle drivers should follow.

- Pedestrians
- Visiting drivers and deliveries
- Traffic routes
- Traffic signs
- Reversing vehicles
- Loading vehicles
- Coupling and uncoupling
- Falls from height
- Tail lifts
- Operating vehicles safely
- Parking
- Inspection and maintenance

Module 6: Safe Storage

This module explains how to store goods safely in a warehouse. It covers the types of storage systems you should use and how to use pallets safely. It also looks at safe methods of storing hazardous substances and how to deal with chemical spillages, which pose a significant risk.

- Storage systems
- Types of pallets
- Flat pallets
- Safe use of pallets
- Loading pallets safely
- Racking
- Classifications of damaged racking
- Automates storage systems
- Storing hazardous substances safely
- Why do incidents occur when storing dangerous goods?
- Storage of dangerous goods
- Before and after accepting a shipment of hazardous substances
- Control measures for storing hazardous substances
- On-site emergency plans
- Dealing with spillages

Aims of the training

By the end of this course, learners will:

- Understand their legal duties in relation to warehouse safety.
- Know what types of hazards may be present in a warehouse setting.
- Be able to control slips and trips risks, as well as electrical safety hazards.
- Know how to carry out a risk assessment of their warehouse.
- Recognise manual handling risks and know how to use mechanical aids to reduce risk.
- Understand how to ensure vehicle safety in warehouses, including how to organise safe traffic routes.
- Know how to store goods in a warehouse safely and use pallets in a safe manner.