



Legionnaire Awareness

Legionella bacteria have the potential to cause serious harm to people's health if they are not carefully controlled. As a result, all premises containing a man-made water system must ensure that the system is safe to use, regularly maintained and free from harmful bacteria.



This Legionella and Legionnaires' Disease Awareness course aims to help duty holders to understand more about their legal responsibilities, and the health risks created by Legionella bacteria, so that a risk assessment can be done and suitable control measures can be implemented.

COURSE CONTENTS

The course covers the following five elements:

- What is Legionella?
- Legal Responsibilities
- Hazardous Environments
- Legionella Risk Assessment
- Controlling the Risks

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WHAT RESULTS CAN I EXPECT?

By the end of this course learners will:

- Understand where Legionella bacteria come from, how people develop Legionnaires' disease and how it affects their health.
- Understand their legal responsibilities in regards to preventing and monitoring Legionella.
- Have knowledge of the environments where Legionella bacteria are commonly found.
- Know how to carry out a risk assessment to identify and control the hazards.
- Have an awareness of the control measures that can be used to reduce the risks from Legionella.
- Understand the importance of continually monitoring, reviewing and updating the Legionella control measures.



WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE?

This course is suitable for anyone in charge of a premises (known as the duty holder) no matter how big or small the premises and regardless of the number of people present. This includes all employers, self-employed people and anyone else in control of a premises, such as landlords and letting agents.

Landlords have an obligation to be aware of the dangers of Legionella and ensure a risk assessment is done to keep their tenants from harm. This course provides details on how to carry out a risk assessment and explains what should be included so that you have an awareness of how to identify Legionella hazards and react appropriately.

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