

(Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response)

TRAINING COURSE



Hours for this course: 16 hours

INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITY	DURATION
Classroom Activity and Lectures	8 hours
Field Activities / Practical Session	8 hours

COURSE DESCRIPTION

When hazardous chemicals are accidentally released or spilled in small or large quantities, the lives of workers and the neighbouring communities become endangered. These incidents require the organization's in-house response team to respond and abate such emergencies; thereby saving lives, protecting the business reputation and managing environmental effects. Local, regional and international OSH legislation has cited a duty of care by employers to equip and train workers in understanding and mitigating the dangers associated with hazardous chemicals.

- NFPA 400 Hazardous Material Code
- NFPA 472- Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials
- NFPA 30 Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code
- NFPA 1981 Standard on Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for Emergency Services
- OSHA 29 CFR 1910:120
- USA. Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulations
- U.K. Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)
- OSH Act. 2006 Trinidad and Tobago

COURSE PREREQUISITE

To be enrolled into HAZWOPER Program participants must have a Hazardous Material Response Awareness certification within the past three years.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this program, participants will be able to perform the following response objectives:

- Reporting and responding to onsite emergencies.
- Conducting scene size up and hazard risk assessment in emergencies.
- Establish an effective Site Control Program that limits the risk of exposure to employees working in a hazardous work zone.
- Identify hazardous materials in your workplace and the possible methods, and symptoms of exposure as well as measures
 necessary to prevent exposure.
- Implement procedures to treat workers in the event they are exposed to hazardous substances.
- Familiarize yourself with compounds, mixtures, and materials that possess flammable, explosive, chemical or radiological hazards.
- Use Material Safety Data sheets (MSDS) to identify and properly handle hazardous materials.
- Know and understand your worker rights under the OSH Act of 2006 Trinidad and Tobago.
- Use Site Characterization to identify hazards that exist in your workplace and implement measures to eliminate the identified hazards.
- Recognize appropriate PPE and have a general understanding of how to select, use, clean, and maintain PPE.
- Responding to onsite vehicle accidents where hazardous material spills may occur.

COURSE CONTENT

- Overview of international standards and guidelines associated with hazardous material. OSHA, NFPA, DOT, GHS, IATA.
- Basic chemical and toxicological terminology, hazard and risk assessments and containment operations.
- Hazard classes associated with dangerous goods.
- Pipeline spill response.
- Response techniques for responding to Ammonia, Nitrogen, LPG, Chlorine, Diesel and other hazardous substances.
- NFPA 704 System /WISER program.
- Use of the Emergency Response Guidebook in emergency assessment.
- The Incident Command System for hazardous material response.
- Use of SCBA operations in hazardous material response.
- Use of specialized spill containment tools.
- PPE used in hazardous material response.
- Setting up of a command post and emergency zones.
- Basic containment and confinement procedures.
- Decontamination procedures.

PRACTICAL SESSION ACTIVITIES

The practical session will involve the following skills:

- Develop a site safety & control plan.
- Perform gas testing operations to determine hazardous material behaviour and characteristics.
- Use the Incident Command System method to manage hazardous material incidents.
- Perform decontamination techniques for specific hazardous material faced in your organization.
- Plugging and patching techniques.
- Damming and dyking techniques.
- Containment and confinement techniques.
- Medical response treatment in chemical emergencies.
- Use of firefighting hoses in hazardous material response operations.
- Use of SCBA in hazardous material response operations.
- Use of fixed and portable firefighting devices in hazardous material response scenarios.
- Responding to leaking mobile tanker spills on your site.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is specifically designed for emergency response teams who are involved in hazardous clean-up operations, voluntary clean-up operations and the storage, disposal or treatment of hazardous substances.

CERTIFICATION

On successful completion of this course participants will receive a certificate of competency in reference to USA .NFPA 400/ 472 Hazardous Material Response Guidelines Certification.

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