

NEBOSH National Certificate in Construction – All Units

Fifteen-day course and assessment

Course introduction

The National Construction Certificate is designed for supervisors and managers within the construction industry and is designed to provide a sound breadth of underpinning knowledge that enables them to discharge their duties more effectively with respect to health and safety in construction activities. The course is also likely to prove useful for those concerned with the management of buildings who may need to ensure that contractors are working safely. The qualification is also appropriate for supervisors and managers working in other industries such as utilities, and even broadcasting, where temporary workplaces are a feature of their activities.

Course outline

The NEBOSH National Construction Certificate covers the main legal requirements relating to health and safety in UK construction work, identification and control of construction workplace hazards, and the practical application of this knowledge. The syllabus is mapped to the National Occupational Standards for Health and Safety owned by Proskills and is supported by Construction Skills. The qualification is divided into three units, each of which is assessed separately:

Unit NG1: Management of Health and Safety

- Foundations in Health and Safety
- Health and Safety Management Systems - Plan, Do, Check and Act

Unit NCC1: Managing and controlling hazards in construction activities

- Construction law and management
- Construction site - hazards and risk control
- Vehicle and plant movement - hazards and risk control
- Musculoskeletal hazards and risk control
- Work equipment - hazards and risk control
- Electrical safety
- Fire safety
- Chemical and biological health - hazards and risk control
- Physical and psychological health - hazards and risk control
- Working at height - hazards and risk control
- Excavation work and confined spaces - hazards and risk control
- Demolition and deconstruction - hazards and risk control

Unit NG1 and NCC1 are assessed by a two-hour written examination. The written examination consists of ten 'short-answer' questions and one 'long-answer' question.

Unit NCC2: Construction health and safety practical application

- The practical assessment carried out at the delegate's own workplace to test the application of taught health and safety principles in a construction workplace.

Assessment

It is advised that around the 106 taught hours approximately 58 hours of private study is done independently.

It is advantageous that candidates wishing to obtain the NEBOSH National Construction Certificate have an understanding of the basic practical aspects of the construction industry. It should also be noted that the practical assessment requires students to undertake an inspection of a construction workplace and to prepare an appropriate report.

The written assignment must be submitted to Jarrold Training within 10 working days (before or after) of the NCC1 exam. The assignment is then internally assessed and externally moderated by NEBOSH.

It is the delegate's responsibility to submit their written assessment within the timescale, any assessments not returned by the deadline will result in the delegate failing this section of the course.

Accreditation

Delegates will receive a unit certificate for each unit passed. On successful completion of all units, the delegate will receive the overall NEBOSH National Certificate in Construction Health and Safety. Delegates will need to pass all three units within a five year period to achieve the overall qualification. The five years commence from the result declaration date of the first exam. When all three unit certificates have been awarded the marks are added together and a final grade is awarded as follows:

- Pass 150 - 179 marks
- Credit 180 - 209 marks
- Distinction 210 marks or more

The NEBOSH National Certificate in Construction Health and Safety is accredited at Level 3 within the National Qualification Framework and meets the academic requirements of IOSH for Technician membership (TechIOSH). The qualification is also accepted by the International Institute of Risk and Safety Management (IIRSM) for associate membership.

About NEBOSH

NEBOSH (The National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health) was formed in 1979 as an awarding body with charitable status. They offer a comprehensive range of globally-recognised qualifications designed to meet the health, safety and environmental management needs of all places of work.

Related courses: NEBOSH Construction Certificate - Units NCC1 & NCC2; NEBOSH National Fire Certificate and NEBOSH Environmental Certificate