

Legionella and Legionnaires' Disease Awareness

Introduction

Occurrences of Legionnaires' Disease are increasing with as many as 350 cases reported in the UK last year.

This awareness course not only takes you through the history of the discovery of the Legionella bacteria, where it is found and how it is spread, but it also covers essential guidelines and legislation surrounding the management and control of the bacteria.

If you work in any environment where water is used or stored, you'll want to take this course to understand the risks of Legionella and how to prevent them.



Audience

This course is aimed at employers, employees, landlords, business owners and everyone responsible for an environment where Legionella may present a risk, including all professionals working in health, education and social care.

This course is also suitable for home owners, parents, carers, people working in the sports and leisure industry, event organisers, fire fighters, manufacturers and suppliers, gardeners, and anyone who may find themselves working in, around and with water.

Objectives

Once you've completed this course, you'll have a knowledge of:

- What the Legionella bacterium is and how it causes Legionnaires' disease
- How and where the Legionella bacteria grow
- Who can contract Legionnaires', and the symptoms
- How Legionnaires' is diagnosed and treated
- The legislation surrounding the management, control, and prevention of Legionella bacteria

Modules

This course contains the following modules:

Module name

Legionella and Legionnaires' Disease awareness

Content

Here are a few of the topics listed in the course: cases in the UK; the history of Legionella; Transmission and causes; where Legionella occurs; proliferation and prevention; how Legionnaires' disease is contracted; who is more readily affected; diagnosis and treatment; prognosis; who is responsible for preventing an outbreak; case study and lessons learnt; legislation; risk management; and a scenario.