



CIEH Level 2 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work

This qualification provides candidates with the skills and knowledge to deal with first-aid situations in low-risk work environments such as shops and offices.

Who needs this qualification?

Anyone identified by their employer as being suitable to take on the role as first aider in the workplace.

This qualification should be undertaken as:

- Initial training
- Annual first-aid skills refresher
- Three-yearly requalification

Why is this training important?

The Health and Safety (First Aid) regulations 1981 require employers to provide adequate and appropriate equipment, facilities and personnel to enable first aid to be given to employees if they are injured or become ill at work. These regulations apply to all workplaces including those with five or fewer employees and to the self-employed.

First aiders must have a valid certificate of competence.

There are two approved courses for first aid in the workplace:

- The three-day First Aid at Work (FAW replacing the old four-day course)
- A one-day course Emergency First Aid at Work (EFAW)

In general terms, the EFAW qualification may be more suitable for low-risk work environments such as offices and shops and/or organisations with fewer than 100

employees. For regulatory purposes, successfully completing an EFAW course will enable the candidate to act as a first aider in the workplace.

Note: the HSE strongly recommends that all first aiders (FAW and EFAW) do an annual half-day refresher course to help them to maintain their basic skills and keep up to date with any changes to first-aid procedures

Registration for the refresher qualification is included in the registration for the CIEH Level 2 Emergency First Aid at Work.

Learning outcomes

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of a first aider
- Deal with first-aid incidents

Facts

Duration

One-day programme

Assessment

Practical assessment plus a multiple choice examination

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Yes

Ofqual Qualification reference

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Prerequisite

None

Course information

