

SAFETY AND HEALTH DECISION-MAKING FOR MANAGERS (165.8) 2 DAYS

This is an advanced safety course for personnel who develop, manage, or supervise health and safety programs for employees working at hazardous waste sites or treatment, storage, and disposal facilities. The course focuses on U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations and guidelines for establishing a program to protect the health and safety of hazardous waste workers. It compliments other EPA basic safety courses and provides participants with information about the specific requirements and recommendations for developing and implementing a worker health and safety program.

Participants in the course are expected to be knowledgeable in basic personnel protection, safety, and response operations. At a minimum, participants must have attended a basic 40-hour health and safety course such as “Hazardous Materials Incident Response Operations (165.5)”, or similar courses.

Instructional methods include lectures, group problem-solving exercises, and classroom discussions. Topics that are discussed include the required elements of a health and safety plan, such as medical surveillance, safety and health training, various federal regulations and compliance/consensus standards, hazard and risk analysis, standard operating safety procedures, personal protective equipment, and air monitoring/sampling.

After completing the course, participants will be able to:

- Identify sections of 29 CFR 1910.120 that relate to operations at hazardous waste sites.
- Identify regulations/consensus standards and guidelines developed by OSHA, EPA, National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), American National Standards Institute (ANSI), and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) that pertain to personnel engaged in field operations.
- Develop a site safety plan that includes medical monitoring, training requirements, air surveillance strategies, personal protective equipment, and emergency evacuation plans.
- Conduct an audit of a health and safety plan (HASP) using the EPA’s health and safety audit guidelines.
- Identify some computer software programs available through EPA that will aid in the development of the HASP.

Note: This course meets and exceeds OSHA’s requirement [29 CFR 1910.120(e)(4)] of a minimum of 8 hours of additional specialized training for supervisors of hazardous waste workers.

Continuing Education Units: 1.0

ABIH Certification Maintenance points: 1.5

Course Dates and Locations

2004

October 13–14

Region 7

November 30 –
December 1

Region 2

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January 19–20	Region 3	April 26–27	Cincinnati, Ohio
February 8–9	Edison, New Jersey	June 14–15	Region 10
February 23–24	Region 8	July 12–13	Region 6
March 15–16	Region 1	August 30–31	Region 5
April 19–20	Region 9		