

EXPERT-LEVEL SAFETY AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS

"Enhancing Compliance, Performance, and Risk Management Through Advanced Audit Techniques"

Schedule

| Date | Venue | Fees (Face-to-Face) |
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| 11 - 15 May 2026 | London, UK | USD 3495 per delegate |

► **Available delivery methods:** Face-to-Face & Online Training

Introduction

Effective safety audits and inspections are essential tools in maintaining a proactive safety culture and ensuring compliance with national and international regulations. Moving beyond checklists, expert-level audits provide actionable insights that identify systemic issues, prevent incidents, and support continuous improvement.

This comprehensive 5-day course is designed to advance the skills of HSE professionals, auditors, and safety managers in planning, executing, and reporting high-quality audits and inspections. Participants will gain mastery in audit techniques, behavioral observations, root cause identification, and regulatory alignment with global standards such as ISO 45001 and OSHA.

Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Plan and conduct comprehensive safety audits and inspections
- Apply risk-based auditing approaches aligned with ISO 45001 and OSHA
- Analyze audit findings to uncover systemic causes and improvement areas
- Use checklists, rating systems, and audit software effectively
- Report audit outcomes and recommend practical corrective actions

Why Attend

- Elevate your auditing skills to an advanced, professional level
- Identify workplace hazards and compliance gaps with precision
- Drive improvements in safety systems and organizational practices
- Support certification and regulatory audit readiness
- Learn from real-world case studies and industry best practices

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) professionals
- Internal and external auditors and inspection officers
- Safety managers and compliance coordinators
- QHSE consultants and regulatory affairs personnel
- Anyone responsible for workplace safety assessments

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Advanced audit and inspection methodologies
- Incident prevention through proactive identification
- Interviewing and observation skills during site visits
- Interpretation of safety legislation and audit standards
- Structured report writing and follow-up tracking

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Stronger internal audit capabilities and compliance assurance
- Reduced incidents and improved risk visibility
- Better audit documentation and action tracking systems
- Enhanced readiness for regulatory and third-party audits
- Culture of continuous improvement and operational discipline

Instructional Methodology

The course follows a blended learning approach combining theory with practice:

- Regulatory Briefings – Audit standards and legal frameworks
- Live Case Studies – Incident-based audits and inspection reports
- Hands-On Exercises – Simulated audits and field inspections
- Peer Reviews – Group analysis of real audit data
- Templates & Tools – Audit checklists, scoring systems, and report formats

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Course Outline

Training Hours: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM Daily Format: 3-4 Learning Modules | Coffee Breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 - 02:00

Day 1: Foundations of Safety Auditing and Inspections

- Module 1: Purpose and Scope of Safety Audits (07:30 - 09:30) • Types of audits: compliance, system, behavior-based • ISO 45001, OSHA, and ILO guidelines • Legal and organizational mandates
- Module 2: Audit Planning and Preparation (09:45 - 11:15) • Audit objectives, scope, criteria, and team selection • Document review and risk prioritization • Pre-audit communication and logistics
- Module 3: Developing Audit Checklists and Tools (11:30 - 01:00) • Standard vs customized checklists • Digital vs paper-based tools • Rating systems and scoring logic
- Module 4: Workshop - Build an Audit Plan and Checklist (02:00 - 03:30) • Group exercise: plan a mock audit for a high-risk site

Day 2: Conducting the Audit and Site Inspections

- Module 5: Opening Meeting and Field Safety (07:30 - 09:30) • Setting tone and expectations • PPE, access protocols, and site safety considerations • Interviewing site personnel
- Module 6: Inspection Techniques and Hazard Identification (09:45 - 11:15) • Physical inspections, unsafe acts/conditions • Behavior-based safety (BBS) observations • Use of photos, sketches, and audit apps
- Module 7: Gathering and Validating Evidence (11:30 - 01:00) • Objective evidence, traceability, and data sources • Non-conformities vs observations • Real-time recording and classification
- Module 8: Workshop - Conduct a Simulated Site Inspection (02:00 - 03:30) • Group walkthrough of a virtual case site

Day 3: Analyzing Findings and Root Causes

- Module 9: Risk-Based Audit Analysis (07:30 - 09:30) • Prioritizing findings based on severity and likelihood • Linking audit data to risk registers • Trend identification over time
- Module 10: Root Cause Analysis for Non-Conformities (09:45 - 11:15) • Five Whys, Fishbone, and Bowtie techniques • Categorizing causes: human, process, system • Creating causal pathways and action logic
- Module 11: Evidence-Based Decision Making (11:30 - 01:00) • Weighing conflicting evidence • Using audit scoring and red flag indicators
- Module 12: Workshop - Root Cause Analysis from Audit Data (02:00 - 03:30) • Analyze real-world findings and map causes

Day 4: Reporting and Corrective Actions

- Module 13: Writing Effective Audit Reports (07:30 - 09:30) • Report structure, tone, and audience • Clarity, objectivity, and data visualization • Legal defensibility of reports
- Module 14: Corrective and Preventive Action Plans (09:45 - 11:15) • SMART action planning • Accountability and timeline setting • Tracking systems and dashboards
- Module 15: Communicating Findings to Leadership (11:30 - 01:00) • Pitching safety recommendations • Gaining management buy-in • Stakeholder alignment
- Module 16: Workshop - Write and Present a Mini Audit Report (02:00 - 03:30) • Simulated reporting with group feedback

Day 5: Governance, Ethics, and Continuous Improvement

- Module 17: Ethics and Professionalism in Auditing (07:30 - 09:30) • Objectivity, confidentiality, and auditor bias • Whistleblowing, fraud detection, and reporting integrity
- Module 18: Preparing for External Audits and Certification (09:45 - 11:15) • ISO, regulatory, and third-party audit readiness • Audit trails and documentation systems
- Module 19: Continuous Audit Programs and Improvement Cycles (11:30 - 01:00) • Annual audit planning and integration with KPIs • Internal audit maturity models • Lessons learned and audit after-action reviews

- **Module 20: Capstone Audit Simulation and Final Review (02:00 – 03:30)** • Mock audit exercise with end-to-end simulation • Course feedback and certificate distribution

Certification

Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in Expert-Level Safety Audits and Inspections, validating their advanced capability to conduct, analyze, and report high-quality safety audits that support legal compliance, risk mitigation, and continuous safety performance improvement.

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