

COURSE OVERVIEW

Legionella

TIMHS-106

Legionella: - ☐ + ☒

Building owners, landlords, and employers are legally responsible for water hygiene within their premises. This includes conducting risk assessments, implementing control measures, and maintaining accurate records to ensure compliance.

Failure to comply with these duties can result in prosecution, particularly when negligence leads to illness or death due to contaminated water.

Module 1: Understanding Legionella

Legionella thrives in the everyday water systems we rely on, and controlling it is a legal, operational, and safety obligation.

- The Water Management Regulations
- What is Legionella?
- How does legionellosis spread
- The importance of Temperature control

Module 2: Health Risks and Symptoms

When Legionella grows in building water systems and becomes airborne as tiny droplets, it can cause Legionnaires' disease, a severe, potentially life-threatening form of pneumonia, especially for vulnerable people.

- The risks associated with Legionellosis
- The risks to vulnerable people
- The symptoms of illness

Module 3: Where the Risk Lives

This module examines how Legionella behaves in real-world water systems, the conditions that allow it to grow, the warning signs to watch for, and the controls that keep people safe.

- Entry & Vulnerability
- Growth Conditions & Control
- High Risk Buildings

Module 4: Law and Responsibility

Legionella isn't just a maintenance problem. It's a legal duty, and when it goes wrong, real people pay the price. Seven pieces of UK legislation shape how organisations must control Legionella risk.

- The Governing Laws
- Roles and Responsibilities
- The Duty Holders
- The importance of training

Module 5: Understanding Legionella

Legionella doesn't need a failure; it just needs still water sitting at the wrong temperature. Everyday fixtures can quietly turn into hazards if left unmanaged.

- How hot and cold systems work
- The practical steps for keeping showers, drink machines, and water tanks safe
- Why unused spaces and quiet periods pose a risk

Module 6: Records and Reporting

This module shows that spotting a problem is only half the job; reporting it and keeping proper records of what you found and fixed turns a one-off check into real, provable protection against Legionella.

- What to do if you notice a problem, and whom to report it to
- What records must be kept, and for how long
- Why consistent logging is a legal duty, not just good practice

Suitable for:

Designated managers who are responsible for site and workplace safety, Facilities managers, Business Owners who own and operate property, and Health and Safety Advisors.

Skills achieved:

- Health and Safety (Intermediate)
- Legionella (Basic)

Related Resources:

- Accident Management System Assessment
- Hazards/Vulnerability Risk Assessment
- Legionella Risk Assessment
- Personal Protective Equipment Assessment
- Equipment Assessment
- Microbiological Contaminants Assessment
- Equipment Use Safety Audit
- Accident Management System Audit
- Legionella Inspection Schedule Audit
- Legionella Weekly Checklist
- Legionella Monthly Checklist
- Legionella Quarterly Checklist
- Legionella Annual Checklist

Benefits:

The Delegate will receive a Total Quality Assured (TQA) certificate of achievement upon successful completion.

Estimated Time:

35 Minutes

Related Courses:

- Understanding Safety Management
- Essentials of Protecting Employees
- Personal Protective Equipment
- COSHH
- Accidents and Reporting
- Risk Management