

Manual Handling

LEVEL 3 AWARD IN MANUAL HANDLING RISK ASSESSMENT (RQF)

The law states that employers have a legal responsibility to provide adequate training for those who perform manual handling tasks in their day-to-day role. This training intervention is a regulated and nationally recognised qualification designed for those who work, or intend to work, in a role that involves manual handling. It is the perfect course for those working in environments such as:

- · Engineering.
- Retail.
- Manufacturing.
- Warehouses and Shops.
- The office environment...

Delegates will learn the key principles of manual handling and how to apply these to their workplace. They will also practice a wide range of techniques, ensuring that they leave the course confident and proficient in moving and handling.

During a manual handling practical session delegates will learn how to master the various manual handling techniques such as:

- Preparing for a lift.
- Solo lifting, transporting and lowering an object.
- Team manual handling techniques.
- Using the various types equipment available in their workplace during manual handling of items and loads at work.

During the classroom element of the course delegates will be introduced to :

- Common manual handling injuries.
- · Manual handling laws.
- Responsibilities of employers and employees.
- Risk assessments.
- Safe movement principles associated with manual handling, including the body's musculoskeletal system.
- · Centre of gravity.
- · Lever system.
- Types of manual handling aids and equipment.
- The maintenance and requirements for testing of equipment.

The total qualification time for this qualification is twenty (20) hours of which there are twelve (12) guided learning hours.

Assessment methods.

Delegates are assessed for this qualification using the following methods:

- Completion of a multiple-choice question paper. (Conducted under examination conditions).
- Through a portfolio of evidence.

The portfolio of evidence:

Delegates are required to complete the risk assessment of a manual handling operation. The risk assessment shall be supported with a report outlining the recommended controls arising from the findings of the risk assessment. This risk assessment is ideally undertaken in a real work environment and shall consider the potential hazards within the manual handling operation.

A report shall also be developed. This report shall outline the manual handling operation(s) assessed, the controls recommended and a justification for these.

Refresher training is recommended every 3 years

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