

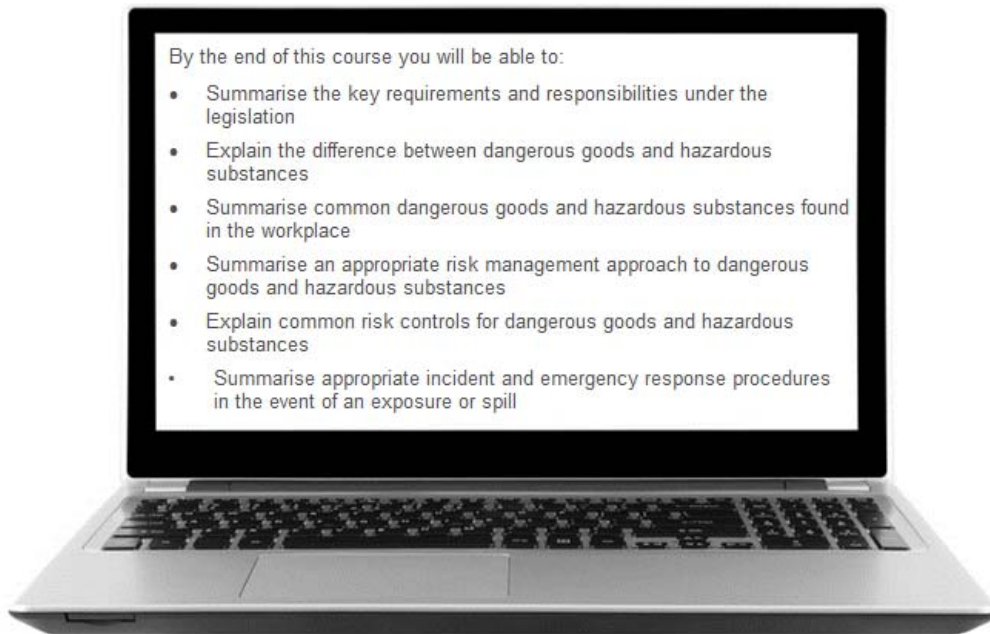
Level 1:

Introduction to Dangerous Goods and Hazardous Substances



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Course learning objectives



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Let's hear from people in different roles about why this training is important.

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I am an office-based worker, I need to be aware of dangerous goods and hazardous substances because I may need to walk through an area where they are being handled, used, stored or generated. I will need to understand the safety signs and labels telling me about the risks and the type of precautions I need to take.

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I work in the health and safety team. Part of my role is to help update policies, procedures and other supporting documents, so it's important that I have an understanding of how we manage the risks of dangerous goods and hazardous substances in our workplace.



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Part of my role in the distribution team is to receive deliveries and safely store them. Sometimes these deliveries include dangerous goods and hazardous substances, so I need to understand the risks and how to protect myself and others from these risks.



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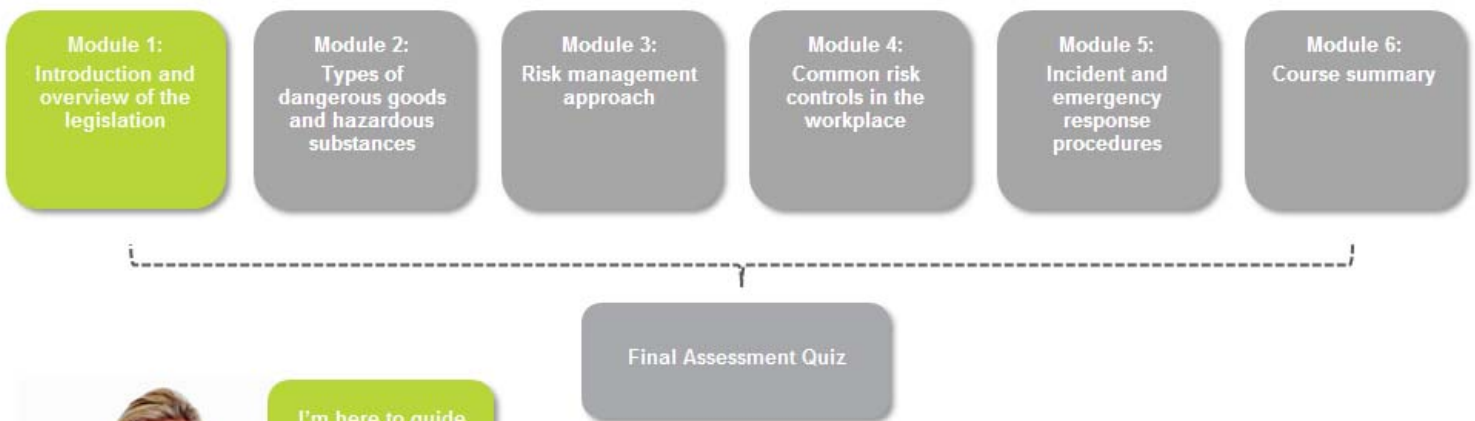
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There are a range of dangerous goods and hazardous substances used in our workplace operations. I need to understand what I'm exposed to as part of my day-to-day job and what precautions to take to ensure there are no exposures or spills.



Course structure



I'm here to guide you through your course

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Module 1:

Introduction and overview of the legislation



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Module objectives

At the end of **Module 1: Introduction and overview of legislation**, you will be able to:

Explain the requirements of the legislation

Summarise the key responsibilities under the legislation

Describe the purpose of the key supporting codes of practice



What are the general requirements of the legislation?

At the heart of the Work Health and Safety (or WHS) legislation:



Take reasonable care to make sure our actions (the things we do) or our inactions (the things we don't do)
do not negatively impact others



Click [here](#) to access the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*



Click [here](#) to access the *Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011*



What are the key roles and duties?

The WHS legislation sets out key roles and duties.

Click on each role below to find out more.

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(PCBU):



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'PCBU' is a more comprehensive
term than 'employer'



Employers and self-employed persons
Each partner in a partnership
Principal contractors and sub-contractors
Company, or an unincorporated association
Government departments
Charitable, social or sporting organisations

Must **ensure** the **health** and **safety** of **workers** while they are at work.



Worker:



'Primary duty of care'

Must also:

Provide and maintain a safe work environment and systems of work
Provide instruction, training, information and supervision
Monitor the health of workers and conditions of the workplace



The PCBU has a responsibility to **manage** the **risks** from all
dangerous goods and hazardous materials in the workplace.

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'Worker'



Anyone carrying out work for a PCBU

Direct employees

Contractors, subcontractors, and their employees

Labour hire employees

Outworkers

Apprentices, trainees and students on work experience

Volunteers

As a **worker**, you must:

Take reasonable care of **your own health and safety** in the workplace

Not put the health and safety of others at risk

Comply with reasonable workplace **instruction**

Cooperate with reasonable workplace **policies** and **procedures**.

Worker:



As a worker, you must follow all workplace procedures to protect yourself and others from dangerous goods and hazardous substances.

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What supports the WHS legislation?



When you **don't** meet your workplace policies and procedures, you may be subject to **disciplinary processes**.

You may also be in breach of **legal** requirements, which can lead to **disciplinary processes**, as well as **prosecution and court imposed fines**.



Work together to provide a safe workplace free from injuries and illnesses



Managing Risks of Hazardous Chemicals in the Workplace



Provides practical guidance on how to **manage health and safety risks** associated with **hazardous chemicals** for a PCBU that uses chemicals in their workplace

Applies to:

Substances, mixtures and articles **used, handled, generated** or **stored** at the workplace which are defined as **hazardous chemicals** under the WHS Regulations

Generation of hazardous chemicals from **work processes**

Identify hazardous chemicals



Assess the health risks



Select the control measures



Monitor & review control measures



Prepare for emergencies



Click [here](#) to access the 'Managing Risks of Hazardous Chemicals in the Workplace' Code of Practice.

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Labelling of Workplace Hazardous Chemicals



Provides practical guidance on how to **correctly label hazardous chemicals** used in the workplace

Applies to:

Substances, mixtures and articles defined as **hazardous chemicals** under the WHS Regulations



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Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling

A **single internationally agreed system** of chemical classification and hazard communication through labelling and Safety Data Sheets

Published by the **United Nations**

Physical hazards



Health hazards



Environmental hazards



The WHS Regulations refer to the 3rd Revised Edition of the GHS



Click [here](#) to access the 'Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals'.



Specific regulations, codes of practice and standards



Additional supporting regulations, codes of practice and standards for specific interactions with dangerous goods



If **your** job role involves **specific** interactions with dangerous goods, you will go through these in more detail in the **Level 2 training**.

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Module Summary

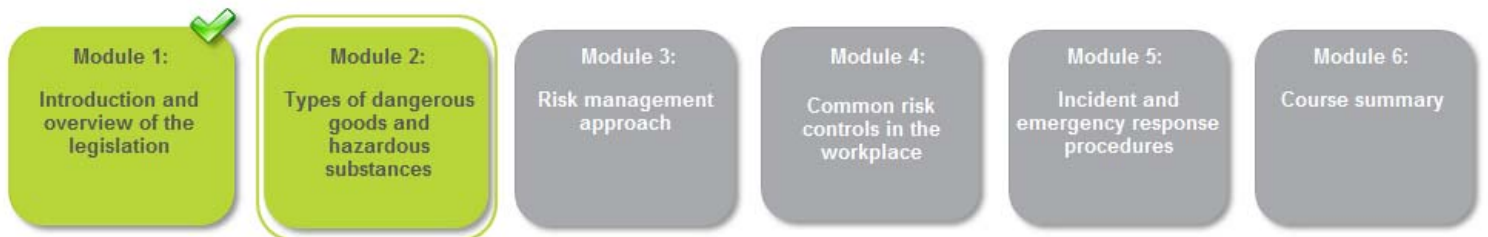


Congratulations! You have completed Module 1.

You should now be able to:

-  Explain the requirements of the legislation
-  Summarise the key responsibilities under the legislation
-  Describe the purpose of the key dangerous goods codes of practice

You can now return to the home page and move on to the next module which will look at the types of **dangerous goods and hazardous substances**.



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