



Module 6:

Course summary



















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Course learning objectives

Now that you've completed the modules, you will be able to:

- Summarise the key requirements and responsibilities under the legislation
- Explain the difference between dangerous goods and hazardous substances
- Summarise common dangerous goods and hazardous substances
- Summarise an appropriate risk management approach to dangerous goods and hazardous substances
- Explain common risk controls for dangerous goods and hazardous substances
- Summarise appropriate incident and emergency response procedures in the event of an exposure or spill











Overview 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

Person conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU):



Has a responsibility to manage the risks from all dangerous goods and hazardous materials in the workplace

Must follow all workplace procedures to protect you and others from dangerous goods and hazardous substances



Worker:









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Types of dangerous goods and hazardous substances

Have hazardous properties which have the potential to cause harm to people, property or the environment

Key difference between the two terms is their relevant legislation and classifications

Dangerous goods are grouped into nine classes

Each class is divided into divisions represented by distinctive diamond shaped labels



















Hazardous substances are grouped into three hazard categories

Health hazards

Physical hazards















Environmental hazards









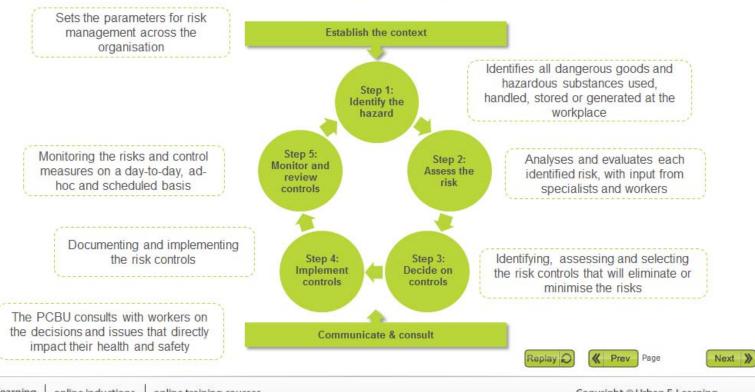
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Our risk management approach



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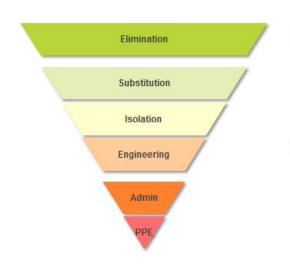
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Common risk controls

There are a range of risk control measures for dangerous goods and hazardous substances



Dangerous goods and hazardous substances are only used if necessary for the specific task or purpose

A safer material is used as a substitute

Minimise the risks of unauthorised or accidental interaction

Minimise the risk of spilled materials spreading outside the containment zone or entering the environment

Policies, procedures, safety data sheets, signage, labels and training etc.

Provided to workers to reduce exposure











Incident and emergency response procedures

Always follow your relevant workplace procedures

What do I do if there is an exposure?

Always notify your supervisor immediately

Take the appropriate steps depending on the severity of the exposure



What do I do if there is a spill?

Notify your supervisor

Take appropriate action depending on the extent of the spill







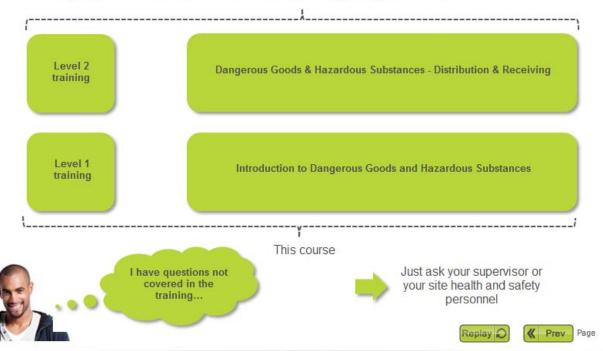




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Where can I get more information?

If your job role involves specific interactions with dangerous goods or hazardous substances



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