BOHS Qualifications Guide

The industry standard for qualifications and courses in worker health protection

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Why choose a BOHS Qualification?

The BOHS Faculty of Occupational Hygiene offers a range of UK and international qualifications and courses in occupational hygiene and related subjects that are recognised world-wide.

These include awareness courses, stand-alone modules covering general principles and practical applications at the introductory and technician levels, through to professional level Certificate and Diploma qualifications, and Chartered Occupational Hygiene status.

For information on how BOHS qualifications integrate with your professional progression towards Chartered Status in occupational hygiene, see our accompanying publication ‘How to get Chartered’.

Chartered Society

BOHS is the only occupational hygiene organisation with a Royal Charter

The Royal Charter, granted in April 2013, recognises BOHS’ unique and pre-eminent role as the leading authority in occupational disease prevention. Royal Charters are rarely granted, and are only available to professional bodies or charities with a long standing record of achievement. In order to obtain chartered status, the professional body must represent a unique field of activity which is not covered by other professional bodies, and at least 75% of the corporate members should be qualified to first degree level.

In addition to the recognition of achievement in its field, the Royal Charter also means that BOHS is the only occupational hygiene organisation to offer the opportunity to achieve ‘Chartered Occupational Hygiene’ status through its professional development route.

Leading Awarding Body

BOHS occupational hygiene qualifications are recognised as the industry standard

The BOHS Faculty of Occupational Hygiene sets, develops and maintains the professional standards of occupational hygienists. Holders of BOHS qualifications have proven their ability to provide sound, authoritative advice on the identification of health hazards and the adequacy of controls in the working environment.

“BOHS combines the role of representing its professional membership with promoting awareness of the importance of occupational hygiene through standards setting, research, publication of a scientific journal and holding numerous conferences and seminars.”

Judith Hackitt CBE, FREng Chair, Health and Safety Executive

Global Recognition

BOHS qualifications are recognised by HSE, UKAS and IOHA

Nationally and internationally recognised qualifications by leading institutions, organisations and employers. Internationally recognised, BOHS is the only UK-based examining board for qualifications in occupational hygiene. BOHS facilitates access to a global network of Approved Training Providers, and presents the opportunity to achieve valuable qualifications to enhance career progression.
The range of BOHS Qualifications

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### Professional Qualifications

#### Specialists

The BOHS Certificate of Competence qualification is the next step for those who have completed the relevant ‘W’ or ‘P’ modules. By developing a higher level of knowledge and skills, this is recognised by the award of a professional qualification in a specialism, such as ‘Certificate of Competence (Asbestos)’ or ‘Certificate of Competence (Control)’.

#### Occupational Hygienist

The only professional qualifications in this field available in the UK, and recognised as such by the HSE and throughout industry. These lead to the coveted title of ‘Chartered Occupational Hygienist’.

- Certificate of Operational Competence in Occupational Hygiene
- Diploma of Professional Competence in Occupational Hygiene

### International Occupational Hygiene Modules

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### Awareness Courses

BOHS endorses a range of courses which aim to provide a broad-brush introduction to some key issues including Asbestos and LEV.

Note: Awareness Courses do not lead to a BOHS qualification.
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health COSHH

A range of qualifications for those working in the field of occupational hygiene and health & safety
Assessments under the COSHH Regulations

P304 UK Proficiency Module (P)
This qualification is ideal for personnel working at a practical level:
• With responsibility for assessing health risks from hazardous substances in the workplace.
• Involved in exposure monitoring and control.
• Managing regulatory compliance.

P304 Assessments under the COSHH Regulations

COSHH
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health

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Asbestos

A range of qualifications for asbestos surveyors, analysts, managers, and duty holders

UK Proficiency Modules
International Modules
Professional Qualifications
Awareness Course
### Asbestos

**Who are these qualifications aimed at?**

These qualifications are ideal for asbestos professionals who:
- Identify, survey, analyse or sample asbestos.
- Manage asbestos in buildings or have duty holder responsibilities.

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<td>P400</td>
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A one day course for anyone training to become an asbestos analyst or surveyor, and to progress to the asbestos Proficiency qualifications.

### International Proficiency Modules (IP)

**Provides a good understanding of key asbestos roles, for practitioners working overseas.**

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*Also available as refresher courses.

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**Professional Qualifications**

BOHS also offers the Certificate of Competence in Asbestos (CoC Asbestos) qualification. The CoC is ideal for candidates wishing to develop a higher level of knowledge and skills in the subject of asbestos.

**How do I apply for a course?**

To find your nearest BOHS Approved Training Provider and book a course, please visit [www.bohs.org/qualifications-training/find-a-course/](http://www.bohs.org/qualifications-training/find-a-course/) and select the relevant qualification code. The course dates, training providers and locations will be listed. Our training providers look forward to hearing from you to discuss your individual requirements.

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Local Exhaust Ventilation Systems (LEV)

A range of qualifications for those working in engineering, occupational hygiene and health and safety roles.
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Local Exhaust Ventilation Systems

Who are these qualifications aimed at?
These qualifications are suitable for anyone responsible for operating and maintaining LEV systems, and those involved in managing airborne contaminants in the workplace. This includes:

- LEV test engineers, installation contractors, designers, commissioning engineers
- LEV maintenance managers, building services engineers, equipment designers
- Occupational hygienists and health and safety practitioners

Foundation Courses

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<td>P600</td>
<td>Foundation Course: Methods for Testing the Performance of Local Exhaust Ventilation Systems</td>
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A one day course for anyone requiring a basic understanding of testing LEV systems, in order to progress to the P601 qualification.

UK Proficiency Modules (P)

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Professional Qualifications

BOHS also offers the Certificate of Competence (CoC) qualification: the CoC is ideal for candidates wishing to develop a higher level of knowledge and skills in a specific field, such as LEV. Upon successful completion, the Certificate of Competence in Control is awarded.

Awareness Courses

For those who wish to expand their knowledge of working with LEV, without taking a formal qualification.

- Local Exhaust Ventilation Awareness
- Practical Management of LEV Controls

Note: these courses do not lead to a BOHS qualification.

How do I apply for a course?
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* An international version of this qualification is also available.

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Legionella

A range of qualifications for those working in the field of occupational hygiene and health & safety

UK Proficiency Modules
Professional Qualifications

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UK Proficiency Modules (P)

These qualifications are ideal for personnel working in a specialist area at a practical level:

- With responsibility for managing legionella risk in premises.
- With responsibility for monitoring and controlling risk from legionella, in commercial and industrial water systems, and in water-based leisure facilities.

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Professional Qualifications

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International Occupational Hygiene Modules

A range of qualifications for those working in the field of occupational hygiene and health & safety
International Occupational Hygiene Modules

The international training scheme and qualifications framework, developed by the Occupational Hygiene Training Association, sets the standards for occupational hygiene training across the world. Suitable for those working as professional hygienists.

**Foundation Level**
Foundation level introduces the basic principles of occupational hygiene, and is ideal for all health and safety professionals who wish to develop their understanding of occupational exposure and health issues.

- **W201** Basic Principles in Occupational Hygiene

**Intermediate Level**
Intermediate level is designed for individuals who have recently commenced their career in occupational hygiene, or who wish to advance further by taking a series of short courses which lead to a professional qualification.

**Core Modules:**
- W501 Measurement of Hazardous Substances (Including Risk Assessment)
- W503 Noise – Measurement and Its Effects
- W505 Control of Hazardous Substances
- W507 Health Effects of Hazardous Substances

**Optional Modules:**
- W502 Thermal Environment
- W504 Asbestos and Other Fibres
- W506 Ergonomics Essentials (including manual handling and DSE)

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The British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS), founded in 1953, is pre-eminent in its field. It is the only organisation dedicated to occupational hygiene, to be awarded a Royal Charter.

BOHS is both a learned society and a professional membership organisation. As a learned society, BOHS promotes professional and public awareness of occupational hygiene and its underpinning medical, scientific and technological issues. Professional occupational hygienists are represented by the Faculty of Occupational Hygiene within BOHS.

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