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Health & Safety Training: Those wishing to participate in any one or more of the H&S training courses listed below (All of which continue to be delivered as on-line training using the medium of *MS Teams*) MUST provide *ALL* of the following information in the body of an email to Lindsay.Murray@ed.ac.uk:

- Your name (as you wish it to appear on a hard-copy certificate of attendance, which will be issued sometime after the event);
- Which Department/Centre/Building you usually work within (so that your certificate can be posted out to you);
- Which course(s) you wish to attend; and
- An email address that can be cut and pasted into a spreadsheet that will be used to generate an invitation containing a link which participants should use to join each event, and to which any supporting paperwork will also be sent.

Please Note: Failure to send *ALL* of the necessary information, *AND IN THE ABOVE FORMAT*, is likely to result in delays before final details can be confirmed.

Bookings for each course will close a few days before the event, in order to manage the invitation process, so it is recommended that you make an early bid to participate in training (I hesitate to suggest that this should be done also to avoid disappointment).

Hard-copy certificates of completion may, therefore, take some time to reach you, but they *WILL* be sent out in due course.

All courses are repeated regularly throughout the year; so, if you cannot attend one of those listed below, there will be further opportunities, and these will be advertised through the medium of future Safety Bulletins.

New Dates for Health & Safety Induction Training: The next health and safety-related induction training events will be offered at the following time:

- Monday 03rd July, 2023 at 14:00 (for approximately one hour).
- Monday 10th July, 2023 at 10:00 (for approximately one hour).

This course, which is MANDATORY for all new and recently starting workers, will be suitable for people working in laboratories, offices and support services environments, and includes aspects of fire safety awareness.

Certificates of attendance will be issued for personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

Late & Lone Working Training: The next late and lone-working safety training events will be offered at the following time:

- Tuesday 04th July, 2023 at 14:00 (for one hour).
- Wednesday 12th July, 2023 at 14:00 (for one hour).

Please note that attendance on this training course is MANDATORY for all those proposing to work outside hours of expected buildings occupancy (*i.e.* any time after 18:00 or before 07:00

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Monday to Friday, or anytime at all during a weekend or University holiday) and anyone who is expected to work apart from others for periods of time.

Certificates of attendance will be issued for personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

New Dates for Liquid Nitrogen and Compressed Gas Safety Training: The next round of training events will be delivered at the following times:

Liquid nitrogen safety (Part 1):

• Thursday 20th July, 2023 at 14:00 (for approximately two and a quarter hours, to include a short comfort break).

Compressed and laboratory gases safety:

• Thursday 27th July, 2023 at 10:00 (for approximately two and a half hours, to include a short comfort break).

Certificates of attendance will be issued for your personal and departmental training records.

Please note that attendance on these training courses is MANDATORY for anyone proposing to work in a liquid nitrogen plant room or handling cryogenic liquids, and/or connect regulators to gas supplies or moving and handing compressed gas cylinders, *etc*.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

Risk Assessment Training and Clinic: In addition to the wide range of task-based risk assessments that we have prepared and maintain for use within our various buildings, the regulatory authority (HSE) look for evidence that training has been provided to those who prepare and maintain these, and also to those work to the arrangements set out in the assessments.

A risk assessment safety training event will be offered at the following time:

• Friday 21st July, 2023 at 10:00 (for up to 90 minutes, to allow time for questions relating to risk assessment).

Certificates of attendance will be issued for your personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

Continuation/Refresher Training: This is a MANDATORY training course for everyone who has not attended a similar event within the last three years (not least because it includes fire safety awareness, which we all must be seen to have repeated fairly regularly in order to meet our legal obligations). The next session (for both lab-based and office-based workers) will be on Friday 14th July, 2023 at 14:00 for approximately 90 minutes.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

COSHH Training: The following three-part training course is freely available for any member of staff or student to attend:

- COSHH (Part 1) describes the legislation and how employers and workers are expected to comply Tuesday 04th July, 2023 at 10:00 (for approximately one hour).
- COSHH (Part 2) addresses completion of a suitable and sufficient COSHH risk assessment Tuesday 11th July, 2023 at 10:00 (for approximately one hour).
- COSHH (Part 3) relates to spill management (Regulation 12 of COSHH) Tuesday 18th July, 2023 at 10:00 (for approximately one hour).

It is not necessary to attend all three modules if your requirement for training is likely to be addressed by participation in one or two events only.

Certificates of attendance will be issued for personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

Certificates (Old and New): Those seeking copies of certificates from previous courses should, in the first instance, contact their lab or service manager, who will/should be maintaining a record at that level of all from their lab/service who have participated in training. Otherwise, this is a useful reminder of the importance of maintaining personal training records, including hard copies of all certificates of attendance/completion, which will also prove useful when transferring between employers or to other labs/services within this University.

Anyone who has received a certificate that is incorrect in terms of name *etc* may request a corrected version by returning the incorrect certificate to the Elf n Safety Weasel (contact details below) indicating where changes need to be made.

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