

# Confined Space Awareness

*Confined Space Regulations 1997*



## **Introduction**

A confined space is any enclosure where a possibility of a dangerous atmosphere could exist e.g. tanks, chambers, trenches, sewers, pits or silos etc. The Confined Space Regulations 1997 require employers to train employees who may be required to work in a confined space.

## **Topic areas covered:**

- The Law relating to Confined Spaces;
- Recognising a Confined Space;
- Safe Systems of Work;
- Emergency Casualty Care;
- Method Statements;
- Risk Assessments;
- Atmospheric measuring instruments;
- Dangers and hazards of Confined Spaces;
- Emergency procedures;

## **Intended for:**

Recommended for managers, supervisors and other employees who may have premises or activities that could require entry into confined spaces.

## **Outcomes:**

By the end of the programme the student will be able to:

- Describe the legal duties and prohibitions placed on people regarding confined spaces;
- Define what constitutes a confined space;
- Understand their organisation's policy on confined space entry and working;
- Identify what confined spaces may exist in their organisation;
- List the hazards and risks associated with entry into confined spaces;
- Carry out an assessment of risks for entry into different types of confined space;
- Develop safe systems of work to ensure safe entry into, working in and egress from confined spaces;
- State what constitutes an emergency and take appropriate action;

**Prior Knowledge:** None.  
**Course Duration:** 1 Day  
**Numbers:** Minimum 4, Maximum 12