

Transition arrangements for the Course in Safety Awareness Training (51466)

This information flyer has been produced jointly between the Training Accreditation Council, WorkSafe and the Department of Education and Training (DET). It provides information about the transition arrangements for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) that are currently registered to deliver the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* and would like to register for the new unit of competency *CPCCOHS1001A Work safely in the construction industry* from the CPC08 Construction, Plumbing and Services Integrated Framework Training Package.

Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) regulatory requirements

The WA Government, through WorkSafe, has regulations in place under the *Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996*, to make safety awareness training mandatory for anyone undertaking construction work at a workplace.

The accreditation for the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* expires on 31 August 2009. There will be a transition period from now until 31 August 2009, during which WorkSafe will recognise either the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* or the OHS unit *CPCCOHS1001A Work Safely in the construction industry*. However, from 1 September 2009 only *CPCCOHS1001A Work safely in the construction industry* will meet the regulatory requirements.

The WorkSafe Western Australia Commission for Occupational Safety and Health has also recognised the construction industry induction training conducted in South Australia, Victoria and Queensland as meeting the requirements of the Western Australian regulations. These three States deliver nationally recognised construction induction training. This means that workers coming from those States do not need to complete the WA course to be able to work in construction in WA, provided they can show evidence that they completed the nationally recognised induction training in their home State within the past three years.

As other States (NT, NSW and TAS) move to delivery of nationally recognised construction safety induction training courses, training undertaken in these States will be recognised under WA OSH Regulations.

Training Accreditation Council's amendment to registration process

Whilst the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* is not identified in the CPC08 Training Package in the summary mapping as a direct replacement for *CPCCOHS1001A Work safely in the construction industry*, it has been deemed that the content and outcome is equivalent.

For RTOs currently registered for the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* and wishing to deliver the new unit, the amendment to scope process is:

- 1) RTOs must obtain a copy of the endorsed unit of competency and the CPC08 Training Package. Please be aware there have been several versions available in draft format prior to endorsement.
- 2) RTOs can apply on-line, through RTO-Net. This facility allows the required evidence to be attached directly to the on-line amendment application. Please note that only the legally responsible person or the registration contact can create the on-line amendment.
 - If you do not have RTO-Net access, application forms are available from the link to RTO-Net on the TAC website (www.tac.wa.gov.au).
 - If you require your password reset, please contact the Call Centre directly on (08) 9264 5555.



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- 3) The evidence required to support the application is:
 - a. strategy for training and assessment for the unit of competence; and
 - b. assessment tool(s) for the unit of competence.

This evidence can be attached to the on-line application or sent as hard copy.

- 4) The application will be processed and the evidence provided will be reviewed by your case manager. You may be contacted for further information or clarification and your application may be audited.
- 5) The application may be approved, and written confirmation will be sent. Should there be any issues with the application, the case manager will contact the RTO.

Please note that RTOs not currently registered for the *51466 Course in Safety Awareness Training* but wishing to apply for *CPCCOHS1001A Work safely in the construction industry* will be required to go through the amendment to scope process outlined on the TAC website. There may be costs involved and an audit may be required.

Further changes to the OSH Regulations

During 2009 amendments will be made to the OSH Regulations on construction induction training to reflect the 'National Code of Practice for Induction for Construction Work'. For updates on changes to regulations go to www.worksafe.wa.gov.au and subscribe to WorkSafe's mailing lists.