Accident and Injury Prevention for Petroleum Workers Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Oil and Gas	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Implement a proactive safety culture and leadership framework.
- Conduct thorough hazard identification and risk assessment in petroleum operations.
- Apply the Hierarchy of Controls to mitigate critical risks.
- Master the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and engineered controls.
- Investigate incidents and near misses using root cause analysis techniques.
- Ensure compliance with OSHA, NEBOSH, and other international safety standards.
- Develop and execute effective emergency response and crisis management plans.
- Identify and control specific hazards like H2S (Hydrogen Sulfide) gas, flammable liquids, and confined spaces.
- Understand and mitigate process safety management (PSM) and operational risks.
- Manage and monitor contractor safety and work permits.
- Integrate behavioral safety principles to enhance worker awareness and accountability.
- Utilize preventive maintenance and asset integrity strategies to reduce equipment failure.
- Promote well-being and address human factors that contribute to workplace accidents.

Organizational Benefits

- A safer workplace leads to fewer incidents, less downtime, and increased operational efficiency.
- Significant savings from lower insurance premiums, workers' compensation claims, and legal fees.
- A demonstrated commitment to safety builds trust, boosts morale, and helps retain skilled workers.
- A strong safety record enhances the company's image, attracts top talent, and improves relations with regulatory bodies and the public.
- Ensures adherence to strict industry regulations, avoiding hefty fines and legal penalties.
- Proactively manages and minimizes operational and financial risks associated with accidents.

Target Audience

1. Drilling and Rig Workers
2. Petrochemical Plant Operators
3. Refinery Staff
4. Field Supervisors and Managers
5. Safety Officers and HSE (Health, Safety, and Environment) Professionals

6. Maintenance and Engineering Personnel
7. Logistics and Transportation Crews
8. Contractors and Sub-contractors working on oil and gas projects.

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Module 1: Foundations of Safety in the Petroleum Industry

- Key Hazards: Understanding the core risks, from chemical exposure to explosions.
- Regulatory Framework: A deep dive into international standards like OSHA and API.
- Safety Management Systems (SMS): Introduction to building a systematic safety program.
- Safety Culture: Fostering a mindset where safety is everyone's responsibility.
- **Case Study:** The **BP Texas City Refinery Explosion (2005)**- An analysis of how a failure in process safety management and a weak safety culture led to a catastrophic event, highlighting the importance of leadership and preventative maintenance.

Module 2: Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

- Hazard Recognition: Techniques for identifying physical, chemical, and biological hazards.
- Risk Assessment: Methodologies for evaluating the probability and severity of risks.
- Hierarchy of Controls: Applying the framework of elimination, substitution, engineering controls, administrative controls, and PPE.
- Job Hazard Analysis (JHA): Breaking down tasks to identify and control specific risks.
- **Case Study: Piper Alpha Disaster (1988)** - Examining the series of errors and procedural failures that led to the world's deadliest offshore oil rig disaster, with a focus on poor communication and inadequate maintenance procedures.

Module 3: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) & Engineered Controls

- Selection and Use of PPE: Choosing the right hard hats, fire-resistant clothing, gloves, and respirators.
- PPE Maintenance: Ensuring proper care, inspection, and replacement of safety gear.
- Fall Protection: Implementing harnesses, lifelines, and guardrails for work at height.
- Engineered Solutions: Designing safer processes and equipment to eliminate hazards at the source.
- **Case Study:** The **Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill (2010)** - Investigating the failure of blowout preventers and other engineered safety systems, underscoring the critical need for regular inspections and system redundancy.

Module 4: Process Safety Management (PSM)

- What is PSM?: An overview of managing highly hazardous chemicals and processes.
- Mechanical Integrity: The importance of maintaining equipment to prevent catastrophic failures.
- Management of Change (MOC): Safely introducing new equipment or procedures.
- Pre-Startup Safety Review (PSSR): A critical check before operations begin.
- **Case Study:** The **Flixborough Disaster (1974)** - A case study on the catastrophic failure of an inadequate pipe modification, demonstrating the dangers of neglecting a formal Management of Change process.

Module 5: Emergency Response and Crisis Management

- Emergency Action Plans (EAPs): Creating and practicing procedures for fires, spills, and medical emergencies.
- Fire Prevention and Control: Understanding the fire triangle and using proper extinguishing techniques.

- Emergency Shutdown Systems: The function of and procedures for using critical safety systems.
- Spill Response: Techniques for containing and cleaning up hazardous material spills.
- **Case Study: BP Exploration Prudhoe Bay Oil Spill (2006)** - Analyzing the failures in pipeline inspection and maintenance that led to a major spill, emphasizing the importance of proactive emergency planning and response protocols.

Module 6: Behavioral Safety and Human Factors

- The Human Element: Understanding how fatigue, complacency, and stress contribute to accidents.
- Safety Observation and Intervention: A framework for colleagues to look out for one another.
- Reporting Culture: Encouraging the reporting of near misses without fear of reprisal.
- Safety Leadership: The role of supervisors in modeling and promoting safe behaviors.
- **Case Study:** The **San Juan, Puerto Rico Refinery Explosion (2009)** - A look at how poor communication, lack of training, and human error resulted in a major explosion, highlighting the need for improved shift handover procedures and behavioral safety programs.

Module 7: Confined Space and Hazardous Atmosphere Safety

- Definitions: What constitutes a confined space and a hazardous atmosphere.
- Entry Procedures: Step-by-step protocols for safe entry, including permits.
- Atmospheric Monitoring: Using gas detectors to check for H2S, LEL, and oxygen levels.
- Rescue and Retrieval: Planning for emergency rescue from confined spaces.
- **Case Study:** The **Kerr-McGee Chemical Plant Accident (2006)** - Examining a fatal incident caused by the failure to adhere to confined space entry protocols, showcasing the deadly consequences of bypassing established safety procedures.

Module 8: Incident Investigation and Root Cause Analysis

- The Purpose of Investigation: Moving beyond blame to identify systemic failures.
- Data Collection: Gathering evidence, interviewing witnesses, and documenting the scene.
- Root Cause Analysis (RCA): Using tools like the "5 Whys" and Ishikawa (fishbone) diagrams.
- Corrective Actions: Developing effective solutions to prevent recurrence.
- **Case Study: Macondo Well Blowout (2010)** drilling incident - A comprehensive analysis of the mechanical, procedural, and human errors that led to the Deepwater Horizon disaster, focusing on a multi-faceted root cause analysis that revealed a series of missed warnings and poor decisions.

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
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Certification

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Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
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