



OVERVIEW

The three-hour course “Fire Safety in the Workplace: Introduction for Workers”, accredited by the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH), is designed to develop a shared understanding and awareness within a factory workforce about fire safety and prevention. Its goal is to advance a culture of fire safety in factories. Specifically, the worker training course focuses on measures to prevent fire, actions to keep passageways clear, steps to take in an emergency, and the role of fire wardens. The course will include structured interactive exercises and a pre- and post-training exam to assess the course’s success.



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is intended for factory workers. The maximum number of participants is 16 per course.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

On successful completion of the course, participants will have acquired the knowledge to:

1. Verbally describe initial steps to take when there is a fire alarm
2. Describe at least two actions to prevent fire
3. Verbally explain what to do if one sees a blocked or locked fire exit
4. Identify at least three fire hazards and describe measures to control these hazards.

CERTIFICATION

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will receive a certificate from IOSH.

HOW TO SCHEDULE A TRAINING

To set up a training for fire safety facilitators, FLA Affiliates should contact firesafety@fairlabor.org

ADDITIONAL COURSES OFFERED

1. Workplace Fire Safety Trainers Course
2. Workplace Fire Safety Facilitators Course
3. Workplace Fire Safety Course for Factory Owners and Managers

BACKGROUND

Serious factory fires over the past several years have focused greater attention on the health and safety risks workers face in factories that lack a fire safety culture and awareness of best practices for fire prevention and fire protection.

With the goal of empowering workers to identify unsafe working conditions and improve fire safety in factories, the FLA commissioned a suite of fire safety training materials in 2013. Dr. David Gold, an international consultant and expert on workplace fire prevention and protection, developed this series of IOSH-accredited fire safety trainings. The training materials are based on a list of 39 foundational competencies reviewed and approved by the US National Fire Protection Agency.

Currently available in English, the training material can be translated into other languages. The FLA offers training through a network of certified Master Trainers based in Bangladesh, China and India. Courses can be implemented in other countries upon request.