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HIGHWAY INSPECTION TECHNICAL

5 DAYS

This course is intended for those carrying out highways inspection in their first year of appointment and as a useful refresher for more experienced highway inspectors. The course provides a good basic knowledge of all areas of highways maintenance and inspection in which they might be involved. The course includes a site visit at which an inspection will be undertaken.

There are two certification routes candidates can choose:

Option 1:
STC certificate of attendance.

Option 2:
LANTRA certificate (at an extra cost).

OBJECTIVES

- ▶ To provide basic knowledge of key legal considerations that affect highways and the duties of the Highway Authority
- ▶ To provide a basic knowledge of the materials, components and techniques used in construction and maintenance of the highway
- ▶ To be able to recognise common failures of highway construction and understand the possible causes
- ▶ To appreciate the importance of effective communication both between individuals and within organisations
- ▶ To highlight health and safety aspects and the importance of safe working practice associated with work on the highway
- ▶ To appreciate the importance of records in making an effective legal defence

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:

- ▶ Adoption and responsibilities of highway authorities
- ▶ Road construction types
- ▶ Materials for construction
- ▶ Standards for new build
- ▶ Standards for maintenance work
- ▶ Work near trees and verges
- ▶ Types of maintenance regimes
- ▶ Legislation and associated Codes of Practice including NRASWA
- ▶ Signing and guarding for works
- ▶ Function of the highway inspector
- ▶ Legal matters relating to inspection
- ▶ Inspection documentation types
 - ▶ NRASWA
 - ▶ Routine
 - ▶ Safety inspections
- ▶ Practical inspection
- ▶ Defect recognition

HIGHWAY INSPECTION LEGAL

3 DAYS

The aim of this course is to give someone carrying out highways inspection, detailed knowledge of highways law; enforcement; knowledge of how to successfully prosecute cases and defend claims, including how to collect and present evidence. In order for those attending to obtain best value from the course it is expected that they will have several years experience of highways inspection, or have completed the technical course and had at least 6 months subsequent experience.

There are two certification routes candidates can choose:

Option 1:
STC certificate of attendance.

Option 2:
LANTRA certificate (at an extra cost).

OBJECTIVES

- ▶ To understand the fundamentals of highway law and its influence on the management of the highway for the benefit of users
- ▶ To understand the requirements for collecting accurate evidence/data, taking statements and their use in the legal process. To gain confidence in presenting evidence in court
- ▶ How to contribute to Network serviceability and to develop an understanding of the procedures to protect the integrity of the highway
- ▶ To develop a practical awareness of NRASWA and its allied Codes of Practice
- ▶ To understand how to contribute to Network safety

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:

- ▶ The methods by which highways are created, diverted or extinguished
- ▶ Responsibilities and liabilities of highway authorities under common law and statute
- ▶ The duties and powers by which highway authorities manage the highway
- ▶ Procedures used by highway authorities eg. dealing with vehicles which are abandoned on the highway, scaffolding, nuisance etc.
- ▶ Importance of contemporary records and their use to prosecute and defend legal actions
- ▶ Preparing and presenting evidence in a courtroom scenario
- ▶ The responsibilities of highways authorities to co-ordinate street works
- ▶ An overview of the main provisions of the NRASWA and the Reinstatement, Co-ordination, Inspection and Signing & Guarding Codes of Practice
- ▶ Highways Act 1980, Environment Protection Act, Footpaths & Rights of Way Legislation etc.
- ▶ Maintenance regime for highway structures

N.B. This is an intensive three day programme that will require delegates to do some 'homework' on the second evening to prepare cases/evidence for the 'court room scene'.



HIGHWAY INSPECTOR TRAINING OPTIONS

The Skills Training Centre offers a range of specialised training and unique assessment packages, specifically designed to assist organisations in meeting local and national standards and a range of enforcement requirements.

TRAINING

The five day Highway Inspection Technical programme is based on a series of incremental knowledge building blocks. These blocks inform and instruct at two levels. The first level provides a comprehensive introduction for those individuals with little or no highway environment background. The second level develops themes established at level one and expands the technical content and application, providing greater insight and understanding for the novice and essential refresher material for the more experienced highway inspector.

The training is based on modern instruction methods, group and individual working and several practical live highway inspection exercises.

We would recommend that inspectors attend the technical programme prior to attending a NRASW supervisory programme (whether the NRASW qualification is required, depends on the role of highway inspectors in your own organisation).

If you are considering putting your candidates forward for City & Guilds 6033-03 Units 301 and 311 (details below), please contact our office to discuss this prior to any booking for the Highway Technical course.

The three day Highway Inspection Legal programme is intended for experienced inspectors and/or those who have attended the five day Highway Inspection Technical programme.

ASSESSMENTS

CITY & GUILDS 6033-03 HIGHWAY INSPECTION & MONITORING UNITS 301 & 311

In addition to the highway inspection training programmes there is also the City & Guilds qualification.

UNIT 301: HEALTH AND SAFETY

This part of the award is intended to provide appropriate basic health and safety training for highways inspectors, to give them an appreciation of how to carry out a basic risk assessment and assist them to work safely on the highway.

UNIT 311: HIGHWAY SAFETY INSPECTION

This unit is primarily designed to rigorously assess and establish the candidates ability to undertake highway safety inspections in accordance with national standards suggested or recommended in the Code of Practice for Highway Maintenance Management and standards adopted by local highway authorities. Highway safety inspections undertaken by Unit 311 qualified inspectors, should positively contribute towards improved highway user safety, provide a more robust protection against third party claims and develop staff confidence. Further information about the City & Guilds qualification is available on request.

LANTRA CUSTOMISED AWARD

The Highway Technical and Legal courses are LANTRA ACCREDITED customised awards. LANTRA are an awarding body with significant experience in the Highways Sector. In order to be accredited with LANTRA the course content, course materials and instructors are reviewed and are monitored via an external verifier from LANTRA. You can choose to receive a LANTRA certificate of attendance (at an extra cost) instead of our standard STC certificate.

