## WASTE SMART COURSE OUTLINE



## WHO IS IT FOR?

Waste Smart provides a concise introduction to waste and resource management for those not directly involved with the industry. The course not only helps to increase understanding of how and why waste should be managed efficiently, but offers advice and guidance that will save money and aid regulatory compliance.

#### **COURSE STRUCTURE**

The course is available as a Foundation or an Advanced level certificate, and both have been tailored to include the necessary information a delegate will require to be proficient within their specific job role.

The Foundation level of the course is aimed at anyone who generates, handles or manages waste as part of their role within any given business. It provides the information necessary to make astute and efficient waste related decisions, whilst increasing sustainability and improving performance. This version of the course consists of 5 sessions:

- 1. Waste as a resource
- 2. The environmental impact of waste
- 3. The cost of managing waste
- 4. Understanding and applying the Waste Hierarchy
- 5. Legislation and compliance
- 6. Multiple choice test (open book)

As well as containing the same content as the Foundation certificate, the Advanced course includes three additional sessions aimed at delegates whose role deals predominantly with the management of wastes within their business, and whose decisions have the ability to influence a significant level of change within company policy and routine. The additional three sessions are:

- 7. How to identify opportunities to reduce waste in the workplace
- 8. Managing resources and wastes in the workplace
- 9. How to demonstrate improvements
- 10. Short assignment based on a case study (open book)



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### **OUTCOMES**

By the end of the course you should be able to:

- Identify different types of wastes and their legal definition, and know that wastes can be a resource with a potential value
- Understand how unsustainable our reliance on virgin materials is, and that what we do with our wastes can impact on the environment
- Explain the hidden costs of managing wastes and the real cost of waste disposal
- Use the Waste Hierarchy to identify different options for managing wastes within the workplace
- Know the different legislation and legal duties that apply to anyone handing waste as part of their job
- Know how to plan and carry out a basic waste audit
- Identify and plan improvements that will come as a result of the waste audit findings
- Understand how to monitor and evaluate waste as part of a long-term strategy, and why this is important for continued efficiency and sustainability

