

Supporting learning and development for Product Safety and Legal Metrology

Introduction

The product safety and legal metrology regulatory system must adapt to meet evolving challenges – responding to expanding international trade, the growth in online retail and the increasing rate of product innovation. It is essential that local authority practitioners have the knowledge and skills to meet the challenges of changing markets and technology – enabling them to work effectively with business to build consumer confidence in the market place.

Competence and capability is a key thread running through the Regulators' Code – there is an expectation that regulators are both technically competent but also able to work with business, leading approaches to compliance.

With this in mind, to support the activities and responsibilities of local authorities and their practitioners, the Office for Product Safety and Standards is working in partnership with CTSI who will administer and deliver Product Safety and Legal Metrology training **to local authority practitioners**.

Following an analysis of current learning and development provision and consultation with local authorities and practitioners, a seminar and series of workshops will be taking place in 2018/19. These learning and development opportunities will be offered on a free to attend basis. CTSI will be overseeing the professional and administrative aspects of the programme.



Product Safety Training Programme

2. Risk Assessment in Practice

A practical workshop session that is aimed at building on practitioners existing knowledge of risk-assessment methods and techniques. It will explore in detail techniques used by manufacturers to assess product risks before they place them on the market and risk assessment methods used by regulators to assess risks relating to corrective actions and recalls. Attendees will have the opportunity to work through scenarios to build capability and confidence in providing advice to manufacturers and importers in respect of their obligations and applying risk assessment methodologies in their regulatory activities.

Attendees will be expected to complete an online e-learning course prior to attending the session.

Dates and venues across the UK to be confirmed.

Risk Assessment in Practice Workshop Risk assessment specialists presenting	March 2019 - Venues and dates across the UK to be confirmed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aimed at existing practitioners• Pre-requisite on-line training providing 3 hours CPPD• 2 places per local authority• Full day event providing 5 hours CPPD• Lunch and refreshments provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• London• West Midlands• North West • Yorkshire • Scotland • Wales

