

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

3. Code of Practice on consumer product safety recalls and other corrective actions - online learning and sharing best practice workshops

Following the launch and subsequent training of the Code of Practice on recalls, an online learning resource will be available to supplement this. Details of how to access this resource will be published in November 2018.

As local authorities and businesses start to work together to implement the Code workshops will be delivered to:

- Hear from the Office for Product Safety and Standards about the new Product Safety Incident Management Plan
- Share practice on local authority approaches to product safety incident management
- Share practice on how local authorities have worked with businesses to implement the Code of Practice into their compliance systems
- Hear from businesses who have developed product safety incident plans
- Review the Code of Practice recommendations

Code of Practice sharing best practice Workshops	Venues and dates 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aimed at practitioners who attended the Code of Practice workshops and have practice to share and discuss with colleagues• 2 places per local authority• Full day event providing 5 hours CPPD• Lunch and refreshments provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Westminster Conference Centre 1 Victoria St. London SW1H 0ET 15 January 2019 book here• Friends' Meeting House 6 Mount St. Manchester M2 5NS 17 January 2019 book here• The Burgh Court Hall 35-55 John St. Glasgow G1 1LY 25 January 2019 book here