

# Supporting learning and development for Product Safety and Legal Metrology

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## 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

The programme is built as an initial series of learning opportunities as part of a comprehensive approach to learning and development.

## 1. Understanding Conformity Assessment and Technical Files

A practical workshop session that will provide a refresher on the UK system that delivers safe goods to market – in particular the role of Standards and Conformity Assessment processes. It will explore in detail the requirements in respect of Technical Files and manufacturers risk assessment processes. Attendees will discover techniques for auditing and providing advice to manufacturers and importers.

<b>Understanding Conformity Assessment and Technical Files Workshop</b>	<b>Venues and dates across the UK Autumn 2018</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aimed at existing practitioners</li><li>• 2 places per local authority</li><li>• Full day event providing <b>5 hours CPPD</b></li><li>• Lunch and refreshments provided</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• North Lanarkshire Municipal Buildings Coatbridge ML5 3LF <b>26 November 2018 FULL</b></li><li>• Park Inn by Radisson – York City Centre, North Street YO1 6JF <b>27 November 2018 <a href="#">book here</a></b></li><li>• The Gateway - 89 Sankey Street Warrington WA11 1SR <b>28 November 2018 <a href="#">book here</a></b></li><li>• Westminster Conference Centre 1 Victoria St. London SW1H 0ET <b>3 December 2018 FULL</b> <b>7 December 2018 <a href="#">book here</a></b></li><li>• Newport City Council Civic Centre Godfrey Street, Newport NP20 4UR <b>4 December 2018 <a href="#">book here</a></b></li><li>• West Bromwich Town Hall High Street, West Bromwich Birmingham B70 8DT <b>5 December 2018 <a href="#">book here</a></b></li></ul>