



# CIWM Waste Awareness Certificate

## Aims, Objectives & Learning Outcomes

### TARGET AUDIENCE

Those people whose work practices produce waste or those people who need a greater understanding of waste principles.

### AIMS

- To provide an introduction to wastes management
- To provide knowledge, understanding and skills to improve the management of wastes

### OBJECTIVES

1. To provide a new way of looking at the management of wastes by:
  - Explaining what wastes are
  - Providing an understanding of how and where wastes are produced in the workplace
2. To provide an understanding of different types, natures and quantities of waste.
3. To raise an awareness of the current waste management practices and disposal routes through the explanation of the wastes hierarchy
4. To demonstrate the need to improve waste management practices by:
  - Explaining the impact of wastes on the environment
  - Explaining what are sustainable practices in wastes management
5. To demonstrate how legislation, in particular the Duty of Care, helps to promote best practices in the management of wastes
6. To raise awareness of the health and safety issues in the handling, movement and storage of wastes by:
  - Providing an overview of the employers responsibilities
  - Providing fundamental knowledge of the individuals responsibilities
7. To enable participants to conduct basic waste audits.
8. To guide participants to the key sources of further information and help

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Describe their responsibilities in dealing with waste
- Describe what wastes are
- Provide examples of how, where and when wastes are produced in their work
- Distinguish between different types and natures of wastes
- Understand the order of magnitude of the volumes of the different types of wastes nationally
- Explain the waste hierarchy
- Demonstrate awareness of the principal current wastes management practices
- Identify the main impacts of wastes on the environment
- Describe the differences between sustainable and non sustainable wastes management practices
- Explain the importance of legislation in promoting best practice in wastes management
- Explain the basic principles underpinning Duty of Care and how their actions are important
- Demonstrate an awareness of their employers responsibility with regard to Health & Safety issues in the handling, moving and storage of wastes
- Demonstrate how they fulfil their personal responsibilities with regard to Health & Safety issues in the handling, moving and storage of wastes
- Describe the key stages in conducting a waste audit
- List sources of further information and help