INTERNATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH CONSTRUCTION CO-ORDINATORS ORGANISATION

CERTIFICATION SCHEME

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Aims

- Two of the Aims of ISHCCO:
  - “To ensure that the professional qualifications of the health and safety co-ordinators of the countries of the National Members are acknowledged in Europe by International and European institutions”
  - “To safeguard and promote the professional interests of the health and safety co-ordinators and in particular to facilitate their free movement and establishment within Europe.”

Note

- We have noted that many people do not understand the difference between the skills required to be:
  - the safety and health co-ordinator and
  - the safety and health prevention practitioner
- We recommend that the co-ordinator is independent of the other parties in the project.

92/57 Competence

- “The Directive does not define the competencies required to act as coordinator during project preparation and execution stages. There are big differences from one Member State to another.”

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92/57 Competence

- “Some [member states] have defined the competences and/or skills of coordinators in great detail, sometimes even requiring that they have specific training or a combination of training and experience. Others simply require that there be coordinators, without formally requiring any specific level of competence.”

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- **Performance Standard**
- Coordinator for safety and health matters during the project preparation stage = **CSHPPS**
- Coordinator for safety and health matters during the project execution stage = **CSHPES**
- Core criteria are generally the same for both except for the specific duties (Section D) and National Requirements (Section F).

- **Performance Standard has Six Parts**
- Part A: Personal Skills
- Part B: The Construction Process
- Part C: Construction Procurement
- Part D1: Safety and Health Co-ordination Service Preparation Stage
- Part D2: Safety and Health Co-ordination Service Execution Stage
- Part E: Legal Aspects and Implications
- Part F1 – F27: National Requirements

Certification

- Accreditation of Certification Bodies by ISHCCO
- Assessment of individual candidates will require peer to peer assessment
- Certification Body will recommend coordinator to ISHCCO for Certification
- Expected that existing National assessment schemes will be largely compliant.

Certification

- Certification will be made for either preparation stage co-ordinators or execution stage co-ordinators
- It is possible that some people will have the competencies to be both preparation stage and execution stage co-ordinators.

Coordinator Levels

Levels of Co-ordinator	Number of Annex II Risks		
	0	**1**	**More than 1**
Prior Notice Not Required	C	B	A
Prior Notice Required	B	A	A

Knowledge

	Level C	Level B	Level A
Minimum Basic Knowledge	Minimum vocational training	Professional qualification(1)	Bachelor degree
Additional Examined Training	24 hours	80 hours	150 hours

Experience

	Level C	Level B	Level A
Years of Relevant Experience			
No Professional qualification	10 years		
Professional qualification	5 years	8 years	
Bachelor degree	1 year	2 years	4 years
Master degree	1 year	1 year	2 years

On Going Training

	Level C	Level B	Level A
Continuous training (hrs/yr)	8	12	16
EQF Level Equivalent	5	6	7