

BREATHING APPARATUS



DURATION

4 Hours

GROUP SIZE

1 – 12

COURSE OVERVIEW

Our course covers the skills and knowledge required to operate and maintain breathing apparatus and equipment in an irrespirable atmosphere, as defined by the Australian Standard AS/NZS 1715:2009 Selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective equipment.

Our course applies to operators who are required to wear breathing apparatus because they are working in a confined space, with hazardous gases/vapours, in an oxygen deficient atmosphere and/or in other situations requiring the wearing of breathing apparatus. Operators may also be required to wear breathing apparatus in emergency situations; however, this is not the prime focus of this course.

This course applies to an individual working alone or as part of a team or group and working in liaison with other shift team members and the control room operator, as appropriate.

SUBJECTS COVERED

- Purpose of breathing apparatus
- Atmospheric hazards and toxic gases
- Types of respiratory protection
- Breathing apparatus components
- Donning, start-up, and doffing procedures
- After use maintenance
- Facial hair and eyewear
- Tally boards
- Safe work practices

PRE-REQUISITES

- Nil

PRE-ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Fitness to Participate – the physical capability to don a harness or lifeline and the inability to wear a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) full face mask and to obtain an adequate seal (i.e. should be clean shaven as per requirement of AS1715, facial injuries, any respiratory conditions for example asthma).
- Unique Student Identifier (USI) – all participants must hold a USI to receive a certificate for an accredited training course. To create a USI, go to www.usi.gov.au.
- Language, literacy, and numeracy (LLN) skills are required to communicate, complete, undertake written and practical assessment activities. If you have any concerns regarding the LLN requirements, please contact our training department on 03 9394 1288 for assistance.

CERTIFICATION

As we are a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) our participants will be awarded a Nationally recognised Statement of Attainment on the successful completion of the training and assessment for this course. The unit of competency covered in this course is:

MSMWHS216 Operate breathing apparatus

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REFRESHER

Industry recommends that refresher training for Breathing Apparatus should be completed annually.

