

Health and Safety Training Standard for the Geotechnical and Geo-environmental Sector

This document provides guidance on the minimum standard of Health and Safety training applicable to those who direct, manage, supervise or undertake geotechnical and geo-environmental related activities. This standard provides an overview of sector appropriate training compared to UKCG standards which are more relevant for generic construction activities.

UKCG Job Title and Definition	Geotechnical/Geo-environmental Job Title and Definition
<p>Director - person that is responsible for the strategic business direction of an entity and the implementation of its corporate governance and which makes the decisions that determine its success and integrity and the expression may include: a divisional director where the division is equivalent to an entity of substance; or a leader of an Entity. (<i>Institute of Directors definition</i>)</p>	<p>Director – As defined by the Institute of Directors.</p>
<p>Training: IOSH Directing Safely; IOSH Managing Safety for Senior Executives or Trade Association Equivalent</p>	<p>Appropriate Training: IOSH Directing Safely; IOSH Managing Safety for Senior Executives</p>
<p>Manager - person managing construction related work activities. Typically site based or visiting personnel with direct responsibility for planning and managing construction work activities.</p>	<p>Manager – person managing geotechnical/geo-environmental related work activities. Typically site based or visiting personnel with direct responsibility for planning and managing the work activities.</p> <p><i>Alternative titles: Site Agent, Contract Manager, Project Manager, Site Engineer, Project Leader, Team Leader, Investigation Supervisor, Geotechnical Specialist</i></p>
<p>Training: SMSTS; IOSH Managing Safety in Construction or Trade Association Equivalent</p>	<p>Appropriate Training: SMSTS; IOSH Managing Safety in Construction; IOSH Safe Supervision of Geotechnical Sites</p>
<p>Supervisor - person directly supervising construction related work activities. The front line supervisor with direct responsibility for putting people to work and briefing their workers on how to carry out their work and ensure they are carrying out their work safely.</p>	<p>Supervisor - person directly supervising geotechnical/geo-environmental related work activities. The front line supervisor with direct responsibility for putting people to work and briefing their workers on how to carry out their work activities and ensure they are carrying out their work safely.</p> <p><i>Alternative titles: Site Agent, Engineer, Logger, Trial Pitting Engineer</i></p> <p>Lead Driller – person directly supervising rig related work activities and briefing other personnel at the rig site to ensure they are carrying out their work safely.</p> <p><i>Alternative titles: Foreman, Foreman Driller, Drilling Supervisor, Driller</i></p>
<p>Training: SSSTS or Trade Association Equivalent</p>	<p>Appropriate Training: SSSTS; IOSH Safe Supervision of Geotechnical Sites</p>
<p>Operative - persons attending site to undertake construction activities who does not have any management or supervisory responsibilities</p>	<p>Operative – person attending site to undertake geotechnical/geo-environmental activities who does not have any management or supervisory responsibilities.</p> <p><i>Alternative titles: Engineer, Geologist, Geotechnical Engineer, Environmental Scientist, Chemist, Biologist, Technician, Labourer, Lead Driller, Drilling Support Operative, Second Man, Third Man, Driller</i></p>
<p>Training: 1 Day Health & Safety Awareness or Trade Association Equivalent</p>	<p>Appropriate Training: 1 Day Health & Safety Awareness – Working Safely on Geotechnical Sites</p>