



Course Outline

Course: Hostile Environment Awareness Training

Duration: 1 Day
8:00am – 5:00pm

Cost: Course cost is \$220.00. Payment in full prior to commencement of course is required

Location: Surrey Hills, Victoria

General Course Description:

The AAI Hostile Environment Awareness Training is specifically designed for those individuals working or intending to work in humanitarian operations overseas in often remote and dangerous environments.

Emphasis is placed on students achieving a high level of understanding and participation in realistic scenarios.

Learning Outcomes:

The overall aim of the course is to enhance participants' understanding of the principles of risk management with special emphasis on safety and security and to build their skills relating to personal and team security management. By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Explain the importance of understanding individual and team roles in the security environment in which they operate.
- Describe measures to reduce personal and team vulnerability to a range of threats against their safety and security.
- Build necessary skills so as to become confident of operating relevant equipment and procedures for enhanced safety.

Course Units:

Introduction and Principles

- course purpose, emphasis & scope
- learning objectives

International Context

- global context of enhanced risk to humanitarian workers
- why the risks to our safety and security is increasing
- why do we need to understand security and safety

Threat and Risk Identification

- risks and vulnerabilities assessment
- actor mapping.
- possible security strategies for risk management

Specific threat/safety management issues

- travel security and safety
- convoy management
- site security,
- cash and valuables security
- kidnapping and hostage
- survival in insecure environments

Gender & Sexual Violence

- impact of team composition on negotiation and security
- issues of sexual violence, vulnerability and strategies for protection and operating procedures

Culture & Environmental Aspects

- recognize the impact of cultural knowledge and the risks
- identifying how personal behaviour impacts on risk

Sources to assist with security and safety

- organizations
- open source
- governmental
- NGO and relief organisations

Delivery:

The course is presented in line with adult learning principles incorporating structured tutorials, interactive workshops, case studies, video, and scenario based training. Individual and group work is conducted throughout the course.

Prerequisites: Preferable to have completed Cultural Awareness course and Psychological First Aid courses.

Presenters:

Course presenters are all recognised industry experts with recent overseas Humanitarian Relief Operations experience who also hold relevant professional, experience and training qualifications.

Meals:

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided and there are several cafes in close proximity to the training venue where a variety of meals ay be obtained.

Dress:

It is expected that you will attend all classes dressed in a neat and casual manner. Please ensure you are wearing closed footwear as open toed footwear is not considered appropriate. There will be a number or activities and role splays throughout this course and students will be advised of additional requirements upon registration.

Smoking Policy

Smoking is not permitted indoors, but is allowed outdoors in designated areas. The receptionist or training coordinator at your training facility will provide guidance on smoking areas..

Special Needs:

Any student who feels that s/he may need accommodation for any type of disability is encouraged to contact the Director of Training (+613 826 50005 or training@aai.org.au)

Dates:

Refer to the training calendar for detailed information on dates.

Course Changes:

Information contained in this course outline is correct at the time of publication. Content of the courses is revised on an ongoing basis to ensure relevance to changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The instructor will endeavour to provide notice of changes to students as soon as possible. The instructor reserves the right to add or delete material from courses. The timetable may also be revised.

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