



WHITE CARD AUSTRALIA CPCWHS1001

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COURSE OVERVIEW

The CPCWHS1001 – Prepare to Work Safely in the Construction Industry (White Card) course is a mandatory requirement for anyone who needs to access or work on building and civil construction sites across Australia. This one-day, face-to-face course equips participants with essential knowledge of workplace health and safety (WHS) laws, hazard identification, risk control measures, and safe work practices relevant to construction environments, including civil works such as roads, infrastructure, and earthworks. Upon successful completion, you will receive your nationally recognised White Card, allowing you to legally enter and work on construction sites across Victoria and Australia.

The CPCWHS1001 – White Card course is designed to prepare participants to work safely in the construction industry, including both building and civil construction environments, by providing essential knowledge of workplace health and safety (WHS) standards and procedures. The training covers key topics including:

- Understanding WHS legislative requirements and duty of care responsibilities.
- Identifying common construction and civil hazards (such as excavation, plant operation, and traffic management) and implementing effective risk control measures.
- Correct use and maintenance of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- Site safety procedures, emergency protocols, and incident reporting.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol in this course, participants must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Provide basic English language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) skills to read safety documents and complete assessments.
- Be physically able to demonstrate correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Bring two forms of identification, such as a driver's licence and Medicare card (passport or student ID also accepted).
- Wear appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes suitable for a construction environment.

CERTIFICATION

On successful completion, you will receive a Statement of Attainment for CPCWHS1001 and an interim White Card certificate, with your physical White Card posted shortly after. This certificate is nationally recognised and is a legal requirement to work on or enter any building or civil construction site in Australia. It is highly relevant for tradespeople, apprentices, labourers, civil workers, site visitors, and professionals requiring construction site access.

Completing the White Card course enables participants to work safely in the construction industry, including both building and civil construction sectors, and gain entry to active construction and civil worksites. This certification is a legal requirement for:

- Construction and civil works labourers
- Apprentices and trainees
- Tradespeople (e.g., carpenters, electricians, plumbers)
- Site supervisors and managers
- Engineers, architects, and surveyors requiring site access
- Delivery drivers and visitors entering construction and civil work zones

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COURSE DELIVERY

The White Card course is delivered face-to-face in a classroom setting, combining theoretical learning with practical demonstrations to ensure participants understand and can apply safe work practices across building and civil construction environments.

Theory Training:

- Understanding Work Health and Safety (WHS) laws and employer/employee responsibilities.
- Identifying common building and civil construction hazards (including excavation, mobile plant, and traffic management risks) and implementing effective risk control measures.
- Learning about safe work practices and site safety procedures relevant to construction and civil worksites.

Practical Training:

- Correct selection, fitting, and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- Simulated hazard identification exercises reflecting real construction and civil scenarios.
- Participation in group discussions and safety-related activities.

Assessment:

- A short-written knowledge assessment.
- Practical demonstration of PPE use and hazard identification.

This structured approach ensures participants leave with the knowledge and skills required to work safely and meet the legal requirements for entering building and civil construction sites across Australia.

FURTHER STUDY

The White Card is the first step into the construction industry, including civil construction, and serves as a gateway qualification for further training and specialised roles across civil infrastructure, residential, and commercial projects



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