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# **Audiometric Officer Course**

## About the course

The Audiometric Officer Course provides best practice training in conducting audiometry (hearing testing) in the Western Australian occupational/medical environment.

The primary focus of the course is to prepare students for registration as Approved Audiometric Officers under the WorkCover WA Noise Induced Hearing Loss compensation program.

The course will be valuable to those:

- Working in health/safety and seeking to become a WorkCover "approved tester",
- Implementing/maintaining an in-company audiometry program,
- Seeking a qualification to assist in changing career direction

## Course details

### Course duration and location

The course is presented over five days (Monday to Friday) at a function centre, usually in Floreat (Perth).

### **Pre-requisites**

No prior qualifications are required to register into the course, however a substantial amount of material is presented and students who haven't studied for some years may wish to review study skills and practices.

### **Pre-Course Assignment**

To assist students in learning key course material, a pre-course assignment is offered. Marks achieved in this assignment are added to the written exam mark on the final day exam.

### **Student Assessment**

Students will be assessed on the final day of the course with both a Written and Practical Exam. The Written Exam draws on material from the student manual (posted with the assignment 2-3 weeks before the course). The Practical Exam requires students to independently and accurately conduct a complete hearing test according to specific WorkCover WA protocols. Results will be announced on the final day. Students who fail either component of the final day exam will be offered a Supplementary Exam.

### **Inclusions**

- Pre-course assignment
- Comprehensive Student Manual and Workbook covering all aspects of course tuition
- All necessary practice equipment
- One-on-one supervision during practical training
- Graduation certificate
- Lunch, morning and afternoon tea daily

# Registration and course dates

Dates and locations for this course vary dependent on demand and this information is kept updated on our website. Please check <a href="https://www.hearingcompany.com.au/training/audiometric-officer-course-5-day/">https://www.hearingcompany.com.au/training/audiometric-officer-course-5-day/</a> for current information.

Register for the course through the online registration form:

https://www.hearingcompany.com.au/training/audiometric-officer-course-5-day/registration-form/

For assistance or enquiries please contact Lynne: admin@hearingcompany.com.au

# Course content and schedule (summary)

# Monday

Sound and Hearing – understanding sound and how it works
Hearing Booths – achieving and maintaining a quiet test environment
Audiometers – selecting, using and managing testing equipment
Audiometry – preparation for conducting a hearing test
Audiograms – analysing and describing test results
Audiometry Practice – first steps in conducting a hearing test

### **Tuesday**

Anatomy & Physiology of the Ear – ear parts and their function Otoscopy – visual inspection of the ear Causes of Hearing Loss – common ear problems in adults Audiometry Practice – consolidating testing skills

### Wednesday

WorkCover Legislation – requirements for "Approved Audiometric Officers" Case History – questions to ask before the test Audiometry Practice – consolidating testing skills Describing Results – explaining test results to workers

### **Thursday**

Biological Check – self-testing audiometer function
Maintaining Accuracy – tips and techniques for new testers
Exam Preview – preparation for final day exam
Extended audiometry Practice – completing simulated WorkCover hearing tests

### **Friday**

Student Exams – written and practical Assessment Results and Debrief – group and individual debrief Supplementary Practical Exams (as required)

### **Contact Us**

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