



Course brochure

Audiometric Surveillance Course

5-day program

About the course

This 5-day program provides comprehensive training in the audiometry requirements of WA's new Work Health and Safety (WHS) regulations 58 and 118.

The new regulations require companies to conduct hearing tests on noise-exposed workers soon after commencing and then every 2 years. Companies are also required to compare test results and take action if a significant deterioration in hearing is detected.



Compliance

The new WHS regulation 58/118 audiometry regime is administered by the WA Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS). The Mines division of DEMIRS states that regulation 58 tests can only be conducted by a "competent person". Passing the **Audiometric Surveillance Course** is the pathway to achieving this status.

Graduates of this course will also achieve a thorough understanding of the skills and knowledge contained in the key occupational audiometry reference documents:

- **Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS1269.4,**
- **Managing Noise and Preventing Hearing Loss at Work Code of Practice, and**
- **NAL 80: Criteria for assessing hearing conservation audiograms.**

Note: For those familiar with the long-standing WorkCover WA testing scheme, the new requirements are very different.

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 there's a lot to learn. Some homework is set to help with consolidating key skills and knowledge. This is particularly valuable for those who haven't undertaken formal study for some time.

Pre-Course Assignment

To introduce students to the course content, a pre-course assignment is provided (due on the first day).

Student Assessment

Students will be assessed on the final day of the course with a Written (open book) and Practical Assessment. For the Practical Assessment, students are required to independently and accurately conduct a hearing test following the Australian Standard/regulation 58 protocols. Assessments will be marked, and results provided on the final day. Students who don't pass either assessment will be offered a Supplementary Assessment.

Course content

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sound and hearing• Understanding and managing the test environment• Audiometers and testing technique• Understanding and creating audiograms• Referral criteria• Ear anatomy and physiology• Multiple audiometry practice sessions• Otoscopy (ear inspection)• Common causes of hearing loss• Effects of exposure to noise and ototoxic substances• Noise management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personal hearing protection• Hearing loss and rehabilitation• Audiometry protocols, legislation and Standards• Case history• Calculations to identify hearing deterioration• Actions following hearing deterioration• Presenting results to employees/patients• Hygiene and infection control• Equipment checks• Maintaining test accuracy• Practical and written (open book) assessment
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Inclusions

- Pre-course assignment
- Student Manual and Workbook
- All practice equipment
- One-on-one supervision and guidance during practical training
- Graduation certificate
- Lunch, morning and afternoon tea

Course presenter

The course presenter is Glenn Johnson, Director and Principal Audiologist at The Hearing Company. Glenn has designed and presented audiometry courses around the world and is widely regarded as a dynamic and engaging educator.

The Hearing Company is Australia's largest and most experienced audiometry training and consulting business. Our 2,000+ course graduates are practicing audiometry in organisations ranging from small medical practices through to Australia's largest industrial and resources corporations.

During the practical sessions, our dedicated and friendly Skills Coaches provide one-on-one instruction and feedback to students.



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Cost and registration

\$2,950.00 ex GST (\$3,245.00 inc GST)

From July 2024:

\$3,100.00 ex GST (\$3,410.00 inc GST)

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More information

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