



Education in the East Midlands

Supporting Safety Reps

Health and Safety Conference - 2010



Unite the union

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How Unite education works



- Paid time-off
- 'Learner-centred' methods
- Discussion
- Developing a union approach
- Learning from each other
- Courses are related to real workplace issues
- Experienced tutors
- Accredited through the Open College Network
- Information, advice, resources and support

The role of the education department



Training new safety reps:

- Roles and responsibilities
- Rights (Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations)
- The Trade Union Approach to Health and Safety
- The myth of the 'careless worker'
- Building Unite
- Negotiating improvements
- Developing a safe and healthy workplace

Courses



- **New health and safety course piloted Autumn 2010**
- **Ten-day course (Stages 1&2)**
- **Live from January 2011**

Other courses



- **Risk assessment**
- **COSHH and LEV**
- **Ergonomics**
- **Environmental management**
- **Stress management – a trade union view**
- **Transport Road Risk**
- **Incident management and investigation**
- **Bullying and harassment**
- **Working at height**

Responding to your needs



Bespoke courses:

- **Through your Regional Officer and Education Organiser you can request 'bespoke' courses on any health and safety issue.**
- **We can also work with the Unite Health and Safety department to organise more specialised training and support.**

Campaigning



- **Supporting national and regional Health and Safety campaigns**
- **Raising awareness of H&S issues**
- **Building Unite through Health and Safety issues**
- **Providing a voice for promoting safe and healthy workplaces**

Further information



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