

Restriction on Diisocyanates EHS experienced persons qualify for conducting training

The [regulation \(EU\) 2020/1149](#) introduces a restriction making successful completion of a training mandatory prior to using diisocyanates. Within the regulation it is indicated that “the training shall include the instructions for the control of dermal and inhalation exposure to diisocyanates at the workplace without prejudice to any national occupational exposure limit value or other appropriate risk management measures at national level. Such training shall be conducted by an expert on occupational safety and health with competence acquired by relevant vocational training.”

Notwithstanding the above interpretation by national authorities, ISOPA/ALIPA supports the view that a person who has work experience, if possible with diisocyanates, and/or a relevant education in environment, health and safety (EHS) qualifies for conducting such trainings.

The training platform [safeusediisocyanates.eu](#), created by ISOPA/ALIPA and major Downstream users Associations of the polyurethane value chain offers to such person to register as a trainer and to organize training with the material provided on the website. However, it is important to note that it is not within the remit of this industry initiative to train persons for becoming trainers and even less so to certify them.

ISOPA/ALIPA and the Downstream users Associations are fully committed to support the EU-wide training of all workers handling diisocyanates by having developed training material and a training platform accessible to all. The objective is to offer the best guidance to the entire value-chain to be compliant and guarantee the safe use of diisocyanates in the EU.

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