



# Qualitative Face Fit Testing – Train the Tester Course

Course Code: RPE4

## Introduction

Get Fit 2 Fit.

It is a legal requirement that workers using tight fitting RPE must be fitted by a competent person.

This course is designed to train individuals on how to conduct 'Qualitative' face fit testing on their staff, ultimately saving valuable downtime and costs.

If you provide respiratory protective equipment (RPE) to your employees then it is essential that you have documentary evidence to show the RPE fits the wearer.

By undertaking a face fit test on each wearer, you can be sure that your organisation is fulfilling the requirements laid out in the Health and Safety Executives (HSE) guidance note: HSG53.

Face fit testing must be undertaken by a competent person, by attending the course you will be trained by a BSIF Fit 2 Fit approved face fit tester.

Face fit testing kits are available to purchase from us directly.

## Content

Background to face fit testing

Legislation and guidance (HSE282/28)

Set up of equipment

The sensitivity test

Fit test protocols



Pass levels

Practical face fit testing

Troubleshooting/problem solving

Fit test failures and re-tests

Planning and managing a fit test program

The content is both theoretical and practically based, including multimedia presentations. The training is fully interactive with delegates encouraged to demonstrate their competence in undertaking face fits.

## **Aim**

To educate responsible persons to ensure they understand how to correctly fit respiratory protection equipment using qualitative testing methods, and enable in house testing of individual employees against various half and disposable masks.

## **Participants**

All individuals who require an understanding or are required to carry out face fit testing responsibly and competently.

The course will also be of use for those who supervise others in the wearing of adequate RPE, so they understand the implications of not purchasing correctly fitting RPE

Information Document HSE 282/28 recommends that RPE Fit Testing should only be conducted by a trained and competent person. To be competent, the fit test operator should have received the appropriate level of instruction and training and should be adequately informed.



## Certification

Certification will be issued with a recommended refresher of 12 months from date of initial training.

Speak to a course advisor

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