



BRITSAFE LEVEL 2

AWARD IN THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTION IN HEALTH AND CARE SETTINGS

112/5323/2



Introduction:

The Britsafe Level 2 Award in the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health and Care Settings is a purpose-built qualification designed to equip frontline staff with the essential knowledge and applied understanding required to reduce infection risks in clinical and care environments. This course provides a structured exploration of key principles such as modes of transmission, standard precautions, hand hygiene protocols, decontamination procedures, and relevant legislative and regulatory frameworks including the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations. It enables participants to recognize critical points of infection exposure and implement best practice controls aligned with national health and safety directives. Intended for health care assistants, support workers, care staff, cleaners, and other personnel working in hospitals, nursing homes, domiciliary care, and community health settings, this qualification supports compliance with regulatory inspections and strengthens organizational resilience against infection outbreaks. Successful completion enhances both individual competence and institutional confidence in delivering safe, hygienic, and regulatory-compliant care.

Qualification Regulation and Support:

The Britsafe Level 2 Award in the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health and Care Settings is developed and awarded by Britsafe™ Qualifications UK Limited, ensuring regulatory alignment and sector-specific competence for frontline care and clinical environments.

Key facts:

Qualification Number:	112/5323/2
Minimum Contact Hours:	8
Guided Learning Hours:	8
Credit Value:	1
Credential Status:	Award
Assessment Method:	Multiple-choice examination



Qualification Overview and Objective:

The Britsafe Level 2 Award in the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health and Care Settings is designed for individuals working in health and care settings. Participants acquire knowledge and skills related to infection prevention, control measures, and hygiene practices. This qualification ensures compliance with legal requirements, contributing to a safer and healthier environment in health and care settings.

The objective of the qualification is to:

- Understand the principles of infection prevention and control in health and care settings.
- Identify common infection risks in health and care environments.
- Learn effective strategies for preventing and controlling infections.
- Gain knowledge of proper hygiene practices and use of personal protective equipment.
- Demonstrate compliance with legal requirements for infection prevention and control.

Entry Requirements:

To register for this qualification, learners are required to meet the following entry requirements:

- Must be aged 16 and over
- Participants should have a basic understanding of the English language to effectively engage with course materials and assessments.
- This course is open to individuals of all backgrounds and experience levels who have an interest in workplace health and safety.

Geographical Coverage:

This qualification is suitable for delivery in England, Northern Ireland, Wales and can be offered internationally.

Delivery/Assessment Ratios:

To effectively deliver this qualification, centres are recommended not to exceed the ratio of 1 Qualified Tutor to 12 Learners in any one instance. If centres wish to increase the recommended ratio, they must first inform your dedicated Britsafe™ accounts manager before doing so.

Centre Requirements:

To effectively deliver this qualification, centres should have the following resources in place:

- Classroom with suitable seating and desks; and
- High-quality teaching and learning resources.

Guidance on Delivery:

The total qualification time (TQT) for this qualification is 8-hours and of this 8-hours is recommended as guided learning (GL). TQT is an estimate of the total number of hours it would take an average learner to achieve and demonstrate the necessary level of attainment to be awarded with a qualification, both under direct supervision (forming Guided Learning Hours) and without supervision (all other time). TQT and GLH values are advisory and assigned to a qualification as guidance.



Guidance on Assessment:

This qualification is assessed through a multiple-choice question exam.

- Centre's must take all reasonable steps to avoid any part of the assessment of a learner (including any internal quality assurance and invigilation) being undertaken by any person who has a personal interest in the result of the assessment.
- Centres must follow Britsafe™ Examination and Invigilation Procedures. Completed examination papers are to be returned to Britsafe™ for marking or If in case of online examination; records shall be updated on EMS portal accordingly.

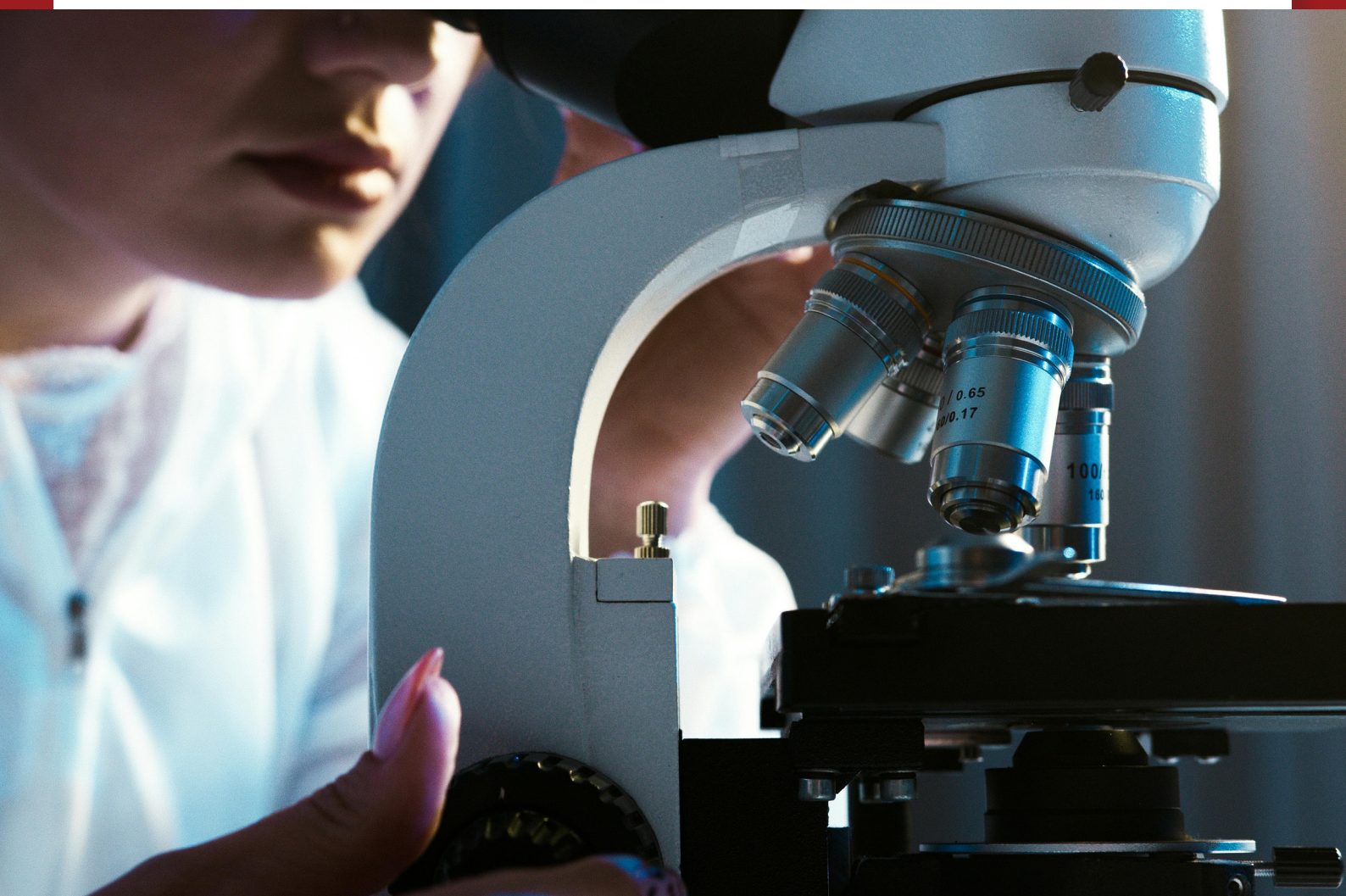
Guidance on Quality Assurance:

Britsafe™ requires centres to have in place a robust mechanism for internal quality assurance. Britsafe™ will support centres by conducting ongoing engagements to ensure and verify the effective and efficient delivery, quality assurance and invigilation of the qualification.

Tutor Requirements:

Britsafe™ recommends nominated tutors for this qualification meet the following requirements:

- A relevant health and safety qualification at Level 3 or higher,
- Membership of a professional body (e.g., IOSH, IIRSM) is desirable.
- Hold a relevant subject area qualification/or be occupationally competent.
- Hold a recognized teaching/training qualification (or suitable equivalent).
- Level 3 Award in Education and Training (AET) or Train The Trainer.





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