

ABTA's Two Day

# Legionella Training Course

1 – 2 March 2023

Sandman Signature Gatwick Hotel, London, RH10 8XH



## Agenda

### Day one

- 09:15 **Registration, tea and coffee**
- 09:30 **Welcome and introduction from the trainer**  
**Dr Sebastian Crespi**
- 09:45 **Principles of Legionella prevention**
- 10:30 **Legionella Risk Assessments in hotels: moving from theory to practice**
- 11:15 **Tea and coffee break**
- 11:30 **Assessing compliance with the 15-point plan**
- 12:30 **Lunch break**
- 13:15 **A virtual risk assessment**
- 14:00 **Desktop Risk Assessments: purpose and limitations**
- 15:30 **Tea and coffee break**
- 15:45 **Interactive industry case studies**
  - Different practical exercises will be proposed to the participants and interactive discussion will be promoted
- 16:45 **Summary and conclusion**

### Note to attendees:

As the training involves a practical risk assessment of the hotel facilities, flat (comfortable) shoes are suggested. Participants are asked to have a camera (mobile), a notebook and a thermometer for this visit.

### Day two

- 09:00 **Surveillance of Travel Associated Cases of Legionnaires' disease (TALD)**
- 09:45 **Practical Risk Assessment**
  - Visit to the hotel and spa: risk assessment of different water systems
  - Assessment of the hotel documents and registers
- 12:15 **Lunch break**
- 13:00 **Risk Assessment results**
  - Discuss the results of the morning inspection and risk assessment
- 13:45 **Industry case study: a recurrent hotel**
- 14:30 **Summary, final questions and evaluation**
- 15:00 **Course conclusion**

### About your trainer:

#### Dr Sebastian Crespi

Dr Sebastian Crespi is a specialist consultant in laboratory medicine. He is currently the chair of Biolinea Int., a company that provides international public health consultancy service to the tourism industry worldwide. He has served as a member of different World Health Organization expert groups, which prepared the guidelines for the quality of drinking water and the book "Legionella and the prevention of legionellosis". He has been invited by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control as both an expert and tutor for consultation and training. He has been a TAIEX expert (surveillance and control of communicable diseases) for the European Commission. He is a co-author of the 'European Guidelines for the prevention, control and investigation, of infections caused by Legionella species'. Finally, he has been the leading author of the sections "Water Management" and "Legionnaires' disease" of the ABTA Health & Safety Technical Guide.



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## About the event

**This two-day training course offers practical advice on the prevention of Legionnaires' disease in tourist establishments.**

Travel associated Legionnaires' disease incidents are regarded as one of the most serious problems that any hotel can face. In this sense, a legionellosis prevention plan is an essential part of any Safety Management System. As most accommodation has now re-opened following the pandemic, it is imperative to check water systems and air conditioning units that have lain dormant for several months.

This two-day training will provide guidance and support on how to get started with prevention and control of Legionnaires' disease in accommodation sites. Tailored for health and safety professionals within the travel industry, this theoretical-practical training provides the essentials for identifying risk factors that can favour Legionella persistence and proliferation in the different water systems of hotels, gives the basis on how to minimise risk of infections and discusses the different options on how to deal with incidents.

## Benefits of attending

- Get **practical and implementable guidance** in the field of Legionella prevention and control
- Take part in a **practical risk assessment exercise**, including an inspection of facilities at the hotel
- **Industry case studies** – learn from the expert
- Discuss with industry colleagues your **policies and procedures** and **learn how improve them**

## Who should attend?

The event is ideal for those responsible for health and safety including:

- Health and safety teams
- Operations managers
- Crisis and incident managers
- Risk management personnel

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