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## What is PUWER?

In general terms, the Regulations require that equipment provided for use at work is:

- Suitable for the intended use
- Safe for use, maintained in a safe condition and, in certain circumstances, inspected to ensure this remains the case
- Used only by people who have received adequate information, instruction and training
- Accompanied by suitable safety measures, eg protective devices, markings, warnings.

## *What do the regulations require of an employer?*

**Ensure** that the work equipment you provide meets the requirements of PUWER. In doing so, you should ensure that it is:

- **Suitable** for use, and for the purpose and conditions in which it is used
- **Maintained** in a safe condition for use so that people's health and safety is not at risk
- **Inspected** in certain circumstances to ensure that it is, and continues to be, safe for use. Any inspection should be carried out by a competent person (this could be an employee if they have the necessary competence to perform the task) and a record kept until the next inspection.

You should also **ensure** that **risks**, created by the use of the equipment, **are eliminated where possible or controlled by:**

- Taking appropriate **'hardware' measures**, e.g. providing suitable guards, protection devices, markings and warning devices, system control devices (such as emergency stop buttons) and personal protective equipment
- Taking appropriate **'software' measures** such as following safe systems of work (eg ensuring maintenance is only performed when equipment is shut down etc), and providing adequate information, instruction and training.

A combination of these measures may be necessary depending on the requirements of the work, your assessment of the risks involved, and the practicability of such measures. You need to **ensure** that people using work equipment have received **adequate training, instruction and information** for the particular equipment.



## Why Choose Us?

We have over 20 years' experience engineering including machine development, prototyping, installation and project management. We bring this valued experience and knowledge into the course.

We provide an easy to understand approach and the course includes hand-outs and a certificate of attendance.

## PUWER Training Information

This one-day awareness provides an overview of the changes and the regulations. This course can also be run over half a day for delegates who need refresher training or who already have a basic understanding of the regulations.

Training includes:-

- Regulation 4 Suitability of work equipment
- Regulation 5 Maintenance
- Regulation 6: Inspection
- Regulation 10: Conformity with Community Requirements
- Regulation 11: Dangerous Parts
- Regulation 12: Specified Hazards
- Regulation 13: High & Low Temperature
- Regulation 14: Start Controls
- Regulation 15: Stop Controls
- Regulation 16: Emergency Stops
- Regulation 17: Controls
- Regulation 18: Control Systems
- Regulation 19: Isolation
- Regulation 20: Stability
- Regulation 21: Lighting
- Regulation 22: Maintenance
- Regulation 23: Markings
- Regulation 24: Warnings