

How to Be a Dangerous Goods Safety Adviser

You have proven you know the regulations
Now learn how the role actually works

A post-certification programme that turns newly qualified DGSAs into confident, day-one practitioners - built for teams onboarding them. Structured, self-paced, and built from the moments a new DGSA actually faces - inspections, incidents, and the annual report. Built around the DGSA's core duties as they apply under Irish law.

- WHO IT'S FOR

- ✓ Newly certified DGSAs preparing for their first year in the role
- ✓ Employers onboarding a new DGSA into the business
- ✓ EHS teams building dangerous goods capability

- WHAT'S INSIDE



Practical handouts and templates, including the annual report template.



ADR-anchored references across every module.



Pressure-moment scenarios with feedback on every choice.



Reflection checkpoints and a curated resource library.

- HOW IT WORKS

Format

Online, self-paced

Duration

[8-9 Hours]

On completion

Certificate

- WHY THIS COURSE

The exam tested your knowledge under exam conditions. The role tests it while a truck is waiting, a manager is pushing, and the clock is running. This course closes that gap.

- ✓ **Pressure-moment scenarios** - practise interventions before you face them for real
- ✓ **The annual report, step by step** - anchored to ADR 1.8.3.3, template included
- ✓ **The human side no exam covers** - diplomacy, plain-language risk, ethics under pressure
- ✓ **Know when to stop a load, when to escalate, and when to manage it yourself** - the judgment calls the regulations don't spell out
- ✓ **Learn what inspectors actually look for** - and the red flags that turn a routine check into a problem

Your learning pathway

Seven modules in three phases, plus a guided orientation to set your starting point.

PHASE 1 · UNDERSTAND THE ROLE

1 · The role behind the title

What the DGSA role actually is: where it began, the misconceptions around it, when it's required - and a walk through a real working day.

2 · UN model regulations

Navigate the full regulatory landscape - ADR, IMDG, IATA, RID, ADN and the frameworks around them - then apply it step by step to a multimodal shipment and see why compliance at departure doesn't guarantee acceptance at destination.

PHASE 2 · DO THE JOB

3 · DGSA in practice

Apply the monitoring-and-advising framework across the situations that define the role: workplace interventions, third-party transport, training and risk decisions, and staying inspection-ready.

4 · Incident response, investigation and reporting

Distinguish accidents, incidents and dangerous occurrences, follow the emergency and investigation process from first response to root cause, and meet the mandatory reporting requirements.

5 · The DGSA annual report

Build the annual report step by step, the legal anchor, the data to gather, analysis rather than description, and test it against an inspector's spot check.

PHASE 3 · GROW IN IT

6 · The human side of compliance

Develop the professional skills the regulations assume: diplomatic enforcement, translating risk into plain language, and holding your ethical position under commercial pressure.

7 · Continuous professional development

Plan your growth beyond the certificate: keeping pace with regulation changes, building your peer network, and mapping the career path toward safety leadership.

Ready to start effective?

Enrol yourself or your team, or talk to us about onboarding packages.

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