Question	Note on questions:						
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4	Questions 3 to 12 attract a	maximum of five marks	each scored against the	criteria.	T	T	T
1	Describe the main operational activities at your site. Include the number of staff working at the site and the main functions these staff perform.						
	600 word limit.						
2	What are the most significant issues at the site in relation to:						
	Occupational health hazards; Occupational safety hazards; Wellbeing concerns.						
	(Please provide three examples for each category) 600 word limit.						
3	Which of the three safety	Criteria – 5 marks	Criteria – 4 marks	Criteria – 3 marks	Criteria – 2 marks	Criteria – 1 mark	Criteria – 0 mark
	hazards you detailed in your answer to Question 2 has the highest risk factor? Explain how you determined that risk factor and provide detail of the control measures you have to control the risk. 600 word limit.	Extensive detail of risk rating and controls, prioritising efforts at top of the risk management hierarchy (substitution etc) before admin or engineering solutions or PPE.	As per 3 marks but with more detail on how risk rating was achieved and more detail on controls.	Answer including 1. the main hazard 2. calculation of likelihood and severity and 3. basic details of controls.	Missing detail of how risk level was calculated or of controls.	Basic reference to highest severity hazard.	No relevant answer given.
4	Which of the three wellbeing concerns in your answer to Question 2 is	Criteria – 5 marks Identifies the wellbeing	Criteria – 4 marks Identifies the most	Criteria – 3 marks Identifies the most	Criteria – 2 marks Identifies wellbeing	Criteria – 1 mark Refers to wellbeing but	Criteria – 0 mark No relevant answer
	your main concern? Explain the measures you	issue and gives at least two examples of measures that are	significant wellbeing issue, gives at least two of examples of	significant wellbeing issue and gives at least two of examples of	issue but misses details of what specific measures will be taken	no significant detail of issue or controls	given.
	have in place to address this concern? How do you measure and monitor improvements	directly related to the issue and gives specific details of how effectiveness of these	measures that are directly related to the issue and outlines how their effectiveness will	measures that are somewhat related to the issue and outlines how their effectiveness	and misses how improvements as a result of the measures will be monitored.		
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	600 word limit.	are monitored and measured.		will be monitored overall .			
5	Identify the role/s of all persons/s at your site with	Criteria – 5 marks	Criteria – 4 marks	Criteria – 3 marks	Criteria – 2 marks	Criteria – 1 mark	Criteria – 0 mark
	specific responsibility for promoting workforce wellbeing and detail the training and development they have had to carry out their roles. 600 word limit.	Identifies multiple people (down to supervisor level) and refers to more than one type of training for each. Also specifies development activities as well as training.	Identifies more than one person - at and below management level – and set out training and development activities.	Identifies main responsible person(s) and details training they receive.	Identifies a person responsible but no significant detail on training or development.	Identifies a manager but no more detail on training.	No relevant answer given.
6	Explain how senior managers at your site	Criteria – 5 marks	Criteria – 4 marks	Criteria – 3 marks	Criteria – 2 marks	Criteria – 1 mark	Criteria – 0 mark
	promote a positive health and safety culture. Give three examples of recent activities by senior managers at your site to contribute to a positive culture. 600 word limit.	Multiple channels of senior management engagement and culture building described. Gives at least three excellent examples of senior management activities, formal and informal. Ideally some reference to impact (culture metrics, survey results etc)	More detailed description than for 3 marks with multiple channels set out. Three strong examples of recent interventions.	Describes engagement of senior management in culture building. Gives three specific examples of recent interventions (eg town halls, safety tours).	Inadequate description of senior managers' culture promotion. Gives less than three examples of senior management activities.	Cursory mention of senior manager involvement, no examples given.	No relevant answer given.
7	Explain the measures and programmes your site	Criteria – 5 marks	Criteria – 4 marks	Criteria – 3 marks	Criteria – 2 marks	Criteria – 1 mark	Criteria – 0 mark
	uses to prevent fatal or major physical injuries. 600 word limit.	Details of controls for most significant safety risks. Also specifies separate overall programme to target serious injury risks separately from lesser risks (eg lifesaving rules).	Thorough summary of controls for major hazards.	Basic details of controls for individual major hazards (work at height, driving, electrical safety etc)	General reference to controls for most serious risks with one or two examples	Reference to standard health and safety controls with no detail.	No relevant answer given.
8	Explain how you communicate health,	Criteria – 5 marks	Criteria – 4 marks	Criteria – 3 marks	Criteria – 2 marks	Criteria – 1 mark	Criteria – 0 mark
	 Safety and wellbeing: Objectives and targets Operational changes such as new 	Multiple channels specified for each category of information including specific reference to upward communication / feedback.	Multiple channels specified for each category of information.	Channels specified for each of the objectives and targets, operational changes, and training (at least one per channel).	List of comms channels without specifying which used for the four types of information specified.	Vague description of safety communications, no examples given.	No relevant answer given.

	processes, practices or services Training and development Feedback in response to concerns raised by workers. 600 word limit.						
9	Explain how you ensure that staff at your site who undertake: Safety communications Risk assessments Internal audits are and remain competent to carry out their roles. 600 word limit.	Criteria – 5 marks Comprehensive details of competence assessment with reference to education, skills and experience. Gives multiple examples of ongoing both training and development activity relevant to communications, risk assessments and audits.	Criteria – 4 marks Expanded details of competence assessment and training regime. More than one example for any of safety communications, risk assessment and audit. Some reference to development.	Criteria – 3 marks Description of competence assessment and training regime. At least one training example each for safety comms, risk assessment and internal audit.	Criteria – 2 marks Missing reference to competence assessment or to training arrangements. And/or no examples given.	Criteria – 1 mark Vague reference to some aspects of competence (either training, skills or experience) with no detail of arrangements or examples.	Criteria – 0 mark No relevant answer given.
10	Describe the auditing activities of your site's health, safety and wellbeing arrangements. Provide three examples of changes you have made following a recent audit to improve workplace health and safety or enhance staff wellbeing. 600 word limit.	As per four marks but with informal as well as formal audit systems listed and greater frequency than annually for at least one form of audit.	Criteria – 4 marks Specifies internal and external audit systems (more than one internal arrangement) and gives three comprehensive examples.	Criteria – 3 marks Reference to both internal and external audit systems with frequency and persons responsible. Three examples of audit findings and improvements made.	Criteria – 2 marks Missing detail of either internal or external audit. Fewer than three examples given.	Criteria – 1 mark Refers to audit but with no meaningful detail and/or examples.	Criteria – 0 mark No relevant answer given.
11	Describe the pre-contract and post-contract assessment arrangements for your site that help assure you that contractors and suppliers comply with your health, safety and wellbeing policies, goals and procedures. How do you encourage better health and safety standards from them?	Criteria – 5 marks As per 4 marks with more comprehensive detail, including specific reference to health and wellbeing standards as well as safety.	Criteria – 4 marks Detail of prequalification (eg questionnaires, external ratings by agencies, contractor / supplier interviews, customer references), post-contract management (e.g. KPIs and contractor / supplier meetings),	Criteria – 3 marks Outline of prequalification arrangements and contract management standards. Some detail of work with contractors and suppliers to improve their OSH performance.	Criteria – 2 marks Missing explanation of either – 1. Prequalification, 2. assessment during contract or 3. work with contractors / suppliers to improve standards. Or all three referenced but with no detail.	Criteria – 1 mark Refers to contractor and supplier appointment or management but no useful detail.	Criteria – 0 mark No relevant answer given.

	600 word limit.		plus good detail of work with contractors and suppliers to raise standards.				
12	Describe your policy objectives and initiatives to proactively manage psychosocial risk in your workplace. 600 word limit.	Criteria – 5 marks Comprehensive understanding of psychosocial risk. Objectives precise, measurable, and prevention focused. Wide range of proactive, practical initiatives with strong emphasis on prevention, monitoring, and staff participation.	Criteria – 4 marks Clear understanding of psychosocial risk. Objectives specific and aligned with risk management. Good range of proactive initiatives with some staff engagement.	Criteria – 3 marks Some understanding of psychosocial risk. Objectives stated but not measurable. Mix of initiatives, some linked to objectives.	Criteria – 2 marks Basic awareness of psychosocial risks. Objectives mentioned but unclear. Few initiatives, mostly reactive.	Criteria – 1 mark No clear understanding of psychosocial risk. Policy objectives vague or missing. No relevant initiatives described.	Criteria – 0 mark No relevant answer given.

Accreditation Marks

Applicants can also gain a maximum additional three marks by uploading evidence of the following accreditations:

- 1 Mark: 3 Star outcome from British Safety Council Five-Star Audit (within the ISA 2026 eligibility period)
 2 Marks: ISO 45001 Certification (current) or 4 Star outcome from British Safety Council Five-Star Audit (within the ISA 2026 eligibility period)
- 3 Marks: 5 Star outcome from British Safety Council Five-Star Audit (within the ISA 2026 eligibility period)