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Safety, Health and Environment
National Authority

NOTE TO INDUSTRY (NTI)

TOPIC SAFETY AND HEALTH RELATED TRAINING COURSES – EXTENSION OF CERTIFICATE RECOGNITION DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC			Reference Number 2021/NTI/16
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Purpose: This Note to Industry serves as a notice to inform all principals, occupiers, employers, self-employed persons and individuals holding safety and health related competency-based training certification issued from Approved Training Providers (ATP) in Brunei, that the Safety, Health and Environment National Authority (SHENA) hereby acknowledges concerns over certification for competency based safety and health related training courses that expire between 1 July 2021 and 30 November 2021.

Due to the difficulties that have transpired during the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions imposed by the Ministry of Health (MOH), SHENA hereby acknowledges that individuals, organisations as well as training providers may not be in a position to undertake or provide refresher training to validate certification, particularly for competency based training provided by ATPs and as stated within the SHENA website. In view of these developments, SHENA hereby announces that the following measures will be implemented with immediate effect.

- All individuals or employers of workers with competency-based safety and health training certifications expiring between 1 July 2021 and 30 November 2021, which are issued by ATPs registered with SHENA and which require revalidation or reassessment shall be considered for extension and continued recognition by SHENA subject to submission of a declaration to SHENA.

- In order to qualify for such an extension, individuals and employers shall submit a declaration to SHENA at info@shena.gov.bn to provide justification and request for extension of certification based on relevant concerns due to the restrictions imposed and work requirements.

- All principals, occupiers, employers, self-employed persons and individuals holding safety and health related competency-based training certification shall make all necessary efforts to revalidate their certification once restrictions have been eased by MOH. Failure to do so after the cut off date provided by SHENA, after successful approval of the declaration, will be considered an offence and necessary action may be taken against such individuals and organisations who continue to work without valid certifications.

- All principals, occupiers, employers and self-employed persons at workplaces shall risk assess the need to revalidate competency-based training courses, especially if individuals hold critical roles and are required to undertake critical activities and take steps to revalidate and maintain certification, as required.

SHENA seeks the support of all relevant stakeholders in ensuring Brunei is a safe place to work and live. Should further clarifications be required, please email info@shena.gov.bn or contact SHENA Office general line at **238 2000**.

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