



**Raising Standards
Advancing Safety**

dhf Training Programme **2025-2026**

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About us

The Door & Hardware Federation (**dhf**) is a not-for-profit trade association for companies involved in Locks & Building Hardware, Doorsets, Industrial Doors & Shutters, Domestic Garage Doors and Automated Gates & Traffic Barriers.

Originally formed in 1897, **dhf** has more than 600 members and is the 'go to' place for technical expertise, training, advice, and practical help, playing a pivotal role in advancing industry standards. **dhf** is regarded as the 'Centre of Excellence', with a network of professional staff members as well as external consultants that can provide support in all sectors.



dhf network

As a prominent figure in the construction, contracting, and security sectors, **dhf** is a member of several influential organisations.



CPA

- Weekly economic updates from CPA
- Quarterly Construction Industry Forecasts worth £1000 per annum
- UK Budget overviews



Build UK

- Weekly construction industry updates from Build UK
- Guide to Building Safety Regime
- Common Assessment Standard (CAS)



ARGE (English translation – The European Federation of Locks & Building Hardware Manufacturers)

- **dhf** represents the UK building hardware manufacturers
- ARGE is a lobbying institution with links to European authorities and institutes
- **dhf** provides, through ARGE, generic Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) for building hardware products

dhf works closely with:



dhf membership



	dhf Member	dhf Affiliate*
Use of the dhf logo	✓	
Profile page on dhf website	✓	
Appear on dhf search function	✓	
Membership certificate	✓	
dhf van stickers	✓	
Personalised QR code stickers	✓	
Membership window decals	✓	
Technical support	✓	✓
Attend group meetings	✓	✓
Access to the members' area of the website	✓	✓
Discounted training	✓	✓
Access to specialist literature	✓	✓

***dhf** affiliate status is only available to those companies who do not have evidence of satisfactory financial performance.

Not a dhf members? Scan the QR code to apply.



Our commitment



To make the UK and Ireland built environment a safer and more secure place



To be the leading trade organisation in the industries we represent



To be the driver in providing a competent and properly trained workforce



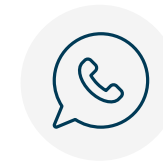
To be the driver in providing standards for construction products so that they are safe and secure



To be the primary point of reference and expertise for regulatory bodies, installers and end users

Technical benefits

When it comes to technical issues, **dhf** is at the forefront in providing its members with the very latest information relevant to each sector.



Access to the Technical Helpline

Answering over 6,000 technical queries year-on-year



Informing members

Through **dhf** group meetings, distributing White Papers, CPA, Build UK & ARGE updates



Free member only webinars

- Fall-back Protection
- Traffic Barrier Compliance & Residual Risk Assessment (CRRA)
- Vertically Acting Product CRRA
- New EU Machinery Regulations



CPD certified webinars:

- Horizontally Acting Products CRRA
- Force Limitation
- Non-contact Presence Detection
- The UK PSTI Regulations



Driving industry standards

dhf contributes to the creation of British and European Standards on behalf of members



Technical committees

dhf represents its industry sectors on various technical committees such as the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN), the British Standards Institution (BSI) and a range of government Working Groups (WG2, WG3, WG5 & WG12)



Site visits

dhf members can request free site visits from the Technical Department; this includes a free compliance report for extra guidance and support



Leading voice in authority

dhf is recognised by key influencers, including Secured by Design (SbD), NHBC (National House Building Council) and RISCAuthority (Risk Insight, Strategy and Control Authority)

dhf Training Academy

dhf provides a comprehensive training programme for the industries it serves. Its rigorous procedures ensure that the courses have met the highest quality for information and delivery.

All courses have learning outcomes that clearly show the delegates what knowledge they can expect to acquire from the course. dhf also collaborates with BRE Academy to offer fire related training courses.



Scan the QR code to book a course.

As a registered Assessment Centre of ABBE, the Awarding Body for the Built Environment, dhf offers accreditation for many of its courses.



dhf is also a member of the Certification of Professional Development Scheme and provides CPD for a number of its courses.

Training courses

	Available at the dhf Training Academy	Available virtually	Available via the Distance Learning Programme	Upgrade to ABBE Accreditation	CPD Certified	Refresher training required every 3 years
Level 2 Award in Automated Gate & Traffic Barrier Safety	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Level 2 Award in Industrial & Garage Door Safety	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Level 2 Award in Dock Leveller Safety	✓	✓		✓		✓
Level 2 Award + Level 4 Award in Industrial & Garage Door, Powered Gate & Traffic Barrier and Dock Leveller Legislation	✓		✓	✓		✓
Security & Emergency Exit Doorsets (non-fire)	✓				✓	
Level 3 Award in Compliance & Safety of Fire Resisting Roller Shutter Doors	✓	✓	✓	✓ Comes as standard		✓

BRE training courses

	Available at a classroom	Available virtually	Available online	CPD Certified
Fire Door Inspection	✓		✓	✓
Timber Fire Doors - Installation, Repair & Maintenance	✓	✓		✓
Installation and Maintenance of Steel Hinged Fire Doors	✓	✓		✓

dhf members receive a 15% discount on BRE course prices.





Private training courses

As an additional benefit, members are entitled to hold private training courses either for their staff or trade customers.

Private courses require a minimum of eight delegates, and the chosen venue should meet Ofqual requirements. Terms and conditions apply and are available upon request.

Courses on offer:

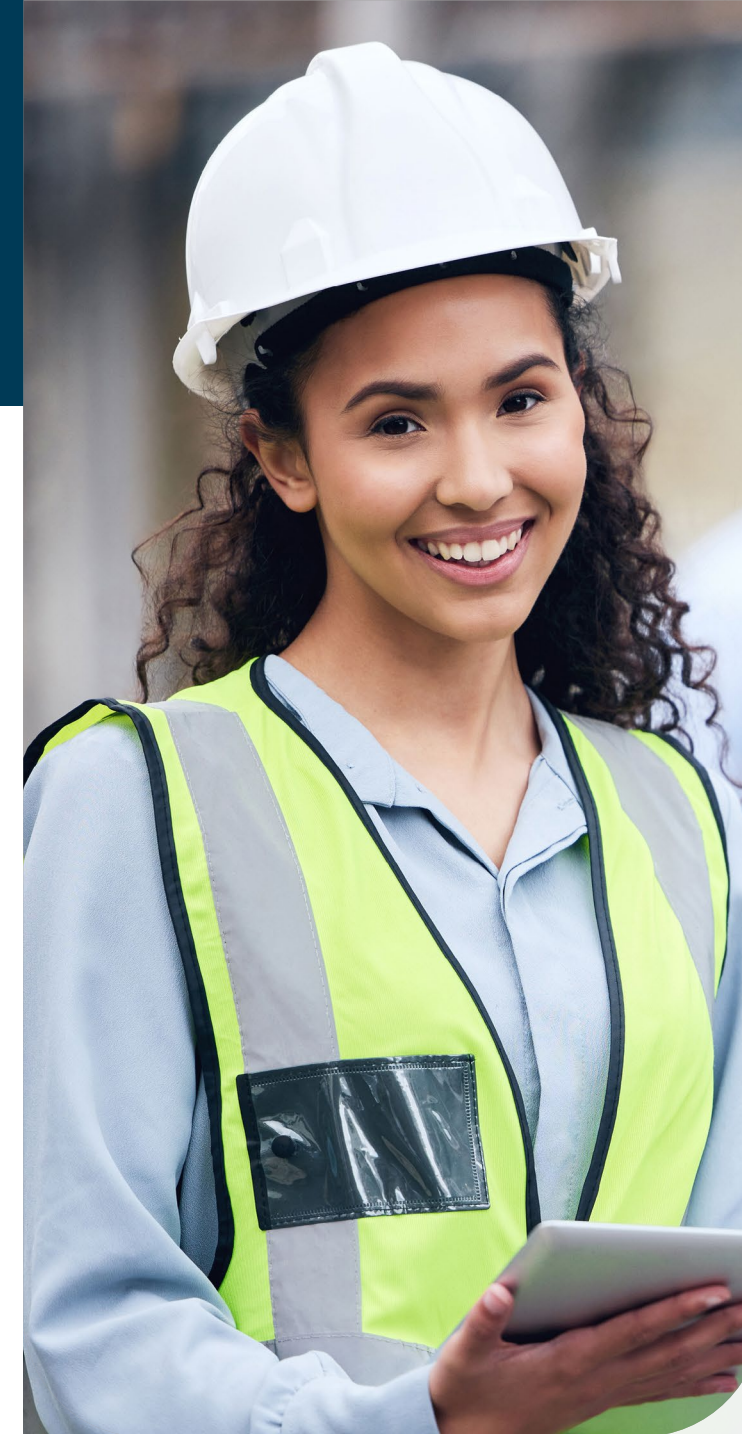
- 1+2 course – a private course to train installers and managers at the same time. This course requires a minimum of eight Level 2 learners and a minimum of two Level 4 learners.
- Closed course – a private course to train staff in one day.
- Open course – a private course for members' trade customers.



Unable to find a venue?

Members can make use of the **dhf** Training Academy at Shuttington.

For further details or to enquire about private courses contact the Training Department at training@dhfonline.org.uk



Proving competence

As part of its commitment to working toward competence in the industry, **dhf** offers CSCS cards.

dhf offers a variety of cards depending on requirements. To work independently on-site a Blue Skilled Worker card is required.

Visit www.dhfonline.org.uk/cscs-card.htm to view all of the cards on offer and to apply.



Earn your NVQ

dhf is partnered with the Automatic Door Suppliers Association (ADSA), in offering two NVQs for the industry through its sister company Entrance Alliance Systems (ESA).

- **Level 2 NVQ Diploma** in Specialist Installation Occupations (Construction) – Door, Gate and Shutter Systems – Installation and Maintenance
- **Level 2 NVQ Certificate** in Specialist Installation Occupations (Construction) – Loading Bay Equipment – Installation or Maintenance.

For further information please scan the QR code.





Additional benefits



Citation - Favourable costs on services and access to free seminars. Services include H&S, Employment Law, HR, Training and ISO.



SMAS Worksafe - 10% discount on Smas services, access to a free Work Wallet account, 15% discount on iHasco training courses, 10% discount at Trade Point and savings with Fuel Card Services.



AA - **dhf** is proud to offer Business Breakdown Cover from the AA as a benefit exclusively for members. From a single vehicles up to a whole fleet, the AA can cover your cars, vans, trucks and more.



HMCA offer four levels of private medical plans as well as dental plans, hospital cash plans, travel plans and vehicle breakdown recovery.



BSI - **dhf** members obtain 30% discount (excluding P&P) on the full cost of a hard copy standard from BSI. Standards must be ordered through **dhf**.



Croner provides **dhf** members with a FREE Telephone Business Support Helpline which covers a wide range of UK law such as: Commercial & Company Law, PAYE & Payroll and Tax & VAT.



Construction Industry Publications (CIP) - A months **FREE** trial of the online Construction Health & Safety Manual. In addition members will receive an exclusive 30% discount off the manual if they decide to go ahead and buy.



ForrestBrown is a specialist R&D tax credit consultancy offering R&D claim preparation, support and a range of tax advisory and business planning advice.



Barbour ABI offers **dhf** members 15% discount on any market survey report of products they supply and across any Barbour ABI products. Formerly known as AMA Research.



Howden provide **dhf** members with competitively priced insurance policies including cost-effective insurance schemes covering risk liability and public & product liability.



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