

Blast Induced Damage Control Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	General Training	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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The course is designed to bridge the gap between theoretical blasting concepts and real-world field execution. Participants will gain expertise in vibration monitoring, controlled blasting design, explosive energy management, and post-blast damage assessment. Emphasis is placed on modern digital tools, case-based learning, and risk-based decision-making to ensure safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible blasting operations across mining and infrastructure projects.

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Course Objectives

1. Understand blast dynamics and rock fracture mechanics
2. Apply controlled blasting design techniques for damage reduction
3. Analyze ground vibration and seismic response
4. Evaluate flyrock prediction and mitigation strategies
5. Implement overbreak and underbreak control methods
6. Master explosive energy distribution optimization
7. Conduct geotechnical risk assessment for blasting zones
8. Utilize vibration monitoring instruments and software tools
9. Develop safe blasting standard operating procedures (SOPs)
10. Interpret blast-induced structural damage patterns
11. Apply environmental impact reduction techniques in blasting
12. Design precision blasting for mining and tunneling efficiency
13. Improve blast performance through data-driven analytics

Target Audience

1. Mining engineers
2. Geotechnical engineers
3. Drill and blast supervisors
4. Quarry managers
5. Civil engineering contractors
6. Blasting technicians and shotfirers
7. Tunnel construction professionals
8. Safety and risk management officers

Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Blast Engineering

- Basics of explosive energy release and rock interaction
- Types of explosives used in mining and construction
- Rock mass classification systems
- Blast geometry principles
- **Case Study:** Open-pit mine fragmentation optimization

Module 2: Rock Mechanics for Blasting

- Stress-strain behavior of rock

- Jointing and discontinuities impact
- Elastic and plastic deformation zones
- Failure criteria in rock blasting
- Case Study: Tunnel collapse due to poor rock assessment

Module 3: Blast Design Principles

- Burden, spacing, and bench height calculation
- Timing sequences and delay patterns
- Powder factor optimization
- Drill pattern selection
- Case Study: Quarry production efficiency improvement

Module 4: Controlled Blasting Techniques

- Pre-splitting and smooth blasting
- Cushion blasting methods
- Line drilling techniques
- Contour blasting applications
- Case Study: Highway slope stabilization project

Module 5: Ground Vibration Analysis

- Peak particle velocity (PPV) concepts
- Frequency and amplitude interpretation
- Seismograph usage
- Damage threshold limits
- Case Study: Residential structure vibration control

Module 6: Flyrock Prediction & Control

- Flyrock mechanics and trajectory modeling
- Stemming effectiveness
- Burden failure analysis
- Safety exclusion zone design
- Case Study: Flyrock incident investigation in quarry

Module 7: Overbreak and Underbreak Control

- Causes of excavation deviation
- Blast perimeter control methods
- Smooth wall blasting techniques
- Cost implications of overbreak
- Case Study: Underground tunnel excavation correction

Module 8: Explosive Selection & Energy Management

- ANFO, emulsions, and slurry explosives
- Energy density comparison
- Water resistance and coupling
- Detonation velocity effects
- Case Study: Wet hole blasting optimization

Module 9: Delay Timing and Sequencing

- Electronic detonators vs non-electric systems
- Millisecond delay optimization
- Vibration reduction through timing
- Blast sequencing modeling
- Case Study: Vibration reduction in urban blasting

Module 10: Blast-Induced Damage Assessment

- Crack propagation monitoring
- Structural response analysis
- Visual and instrumented assessment methods
- Damage classification systems
- Case Study: Building damage audit near mining site

Module 11: Monitoring & Instrumentation

- Seismograph setup and calibration
- Data logging systems
- Real-time blast monitoring
- Drone-based post-blast surveys
- Case Study: Digital blast monitoring deployment

Module 12: Environmental Impact Control

- Dust and noise mitigation
- Groundwater protection measures
- Regulatory compliance standards
- Sustainable blasting practices
- Case Study: Eco-sensitive blasting near protected zone

Module 13: Risk Assessment & Safety Management

- Hazard identification techniques
- Blast risk mapping
- Emergency response planning
- Safety buffer zone design
- Case Study: Accident prevention through risk redesign

Module 14: Advanced Digital Blast Modeling

- 3D blast simulation tools
- AI-based fragmentation prediction
- GIS integration in blasting
- Data analytics for optimization
- Case Study: AI-optimized mine blast design

Module 15: Productivity Optimization in Blasting

- Cost per tonne analysis
- Cycle time reduction techniques

- Equipment-blast synchronization
- Performance benchmarking
- Case Study: Productivity boost in large quarry operation

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
07 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Online	\$2,000
07 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	\$3,000

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14 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$2,000
14 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
28 Sep 2026	09 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
28 Sep 2026	09 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000

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