

Training course on Hospitality Law and Ethics

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Analyze the fundamental principles and strategic importance of **Hospitality Law and Ethics**.
2. Master methodologies for **identifying and mitigating legal risks** across various hospitality operations.
3. Understand and apply laws related to **guest safety, security, and liability**.
4. Comprehend **employment laws, labor relations, and discrimination prevention** in hospitality.
5. Develop expertise in **contract law, vendor agreements, and intellectual property** relevant to hospitality.
6. Formulate strategies for ensuring **food safety, sanitation, and liquor liability compliance**.
7. Implement robust approaches to **data privacy (GDPR, CCPA)** and cybersecurity for guest information.
8. Understand **property rights, negligence, and premises liability** in hospitality settings.
9. Apply principles of **ethical decision-making and corporate social responsibility** in hospitality.
10. Manage **guest disputes, complaints, and crisis communication** with legal and ethical considerations.
11. Explore **emerging legal and ethical challenges** (e.g., AI, accessibility, sustainability regulations).
12. Design a comprehensive **Legal and Ethical Compliance Framework** for a hospitality business.
13. Position themselves as responsible leaders capable of ensuring **legal adherence and ethical conduct** in hospitality.

Target Audience

This course is designed for professionals and aspiring individuals seeking to master hospitality law and ethics:

1. **Hotel General Managers:** Responsible for overall legal and ethical compliance.
2. **Human Resources Managers:** Focusing on employment law and employee relations.
3. **Operations Managers:** Overseeing guest safety, food safety, and premises liability.
4. **Property Owners/Asset Managers:** Understanding legal risks and responsibilities.
5. **Sales & Marketing Managers:** Navigating contract law and advertising regulations.
6. **F&B Managers:** Focusing on food safety and liquor liability.
7. **Legal Counsel for Hospitality Companies:** Deepening industry-specific knowledge.
8. **Hospitality & Tourism Students:** Focused on legal and ethical aspects of the industry.

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Hospitality Law and Ethics

- Defining Hospitality Law: Sources, Jurisdiction, and Key Areas.
- The Importance of Legal Compliance in a Service-Oriented Industry.
- Understanding Ethical Principles and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in Hospitality.
- The Interplay of Law and Ethics in Decision-Making.
- Case Studies of Landmark Hospitality Legal Cases.

Module 2: Guest Safety, Security, and Liability

- Duty of Care to Guests: Reasonable Care Standards.
- Premises Liability: Slips, Falls, Accidents on Property.
- Hotel Security: Preventing Theft, Assault, and Other Crimes.
- Fire Safety Regulations and Emergency Procedures.
- Protecting Guest Property and Valuables.

Module 3: Employment Law and Labor Relations

- Key Federal and State Employment Laws (e.g., FLSA, ADA, Title VII, FMLA).
- Hiring and Firing Practices: Avoiding Discrimination and Wrongful Termination.
- Wage and Hour Regulations: Overtime, Tips, Minimum Wage.
- Workplace Harassment and Discrimination Prevention.
- Union Relations and Collective Bargaining (if applicable).

Module 4: Food Safety, Sanitation, and Liquor Liability

- Understanding Food Safety Regulations (HACCP principles, Health Codes).
- Best Practices for Food Handling, Storage, and Preparation.
- Preventing Foodborne Illnesses and Allergic Reactions.
- Liquor Liability Laws (Dram Shop Acts) and Responsible Beverage Service.
- Managing Intoxicated Patrons and Preventing Underage Drinking.

Module 5: Contracts and Agreements

- Types of Contracts in Hospitality: Guest Reservations, Vendor Agreements, Group Sales.
- Essential Elements of a Valid Contract.
- Understanding Terms and Conditions, Force Majeure Clauses.
- Breach of Contract and Remedies.
- Negotiating and Drafting Contracts Effectively.

Module 6: Property Rights and Innkeeper's Rights

- Rights of Innkeepers to Refuse Service or Remove Guests.
- Understanding Guest's Rights vs. Innkeeper's Rights.
- Lien Rights and Retention of Guest Property.
- Eviction Procedures and Legal Compliance.
- Property Damage and Vandalism by Guests

Module 7: Data Privacy and Cybersecurity

- Understanding Data Privacy Regulations (GDPR, CCPA, PII).
- Protecting Guest Personal Information and Credit Card Data.
- Cybersecurity Threats: Data Breaches, Ransomware.
- Implementing Data Security Measures and Training Employees.
- Incident Response Plans for Data Breaches.

Module 8: Intellectual Property and Brand Protection

- Protecting Brand Names, Logos, and Trademarks.
- Copyright Law in Hospitality (e.g., Music Licensing, Website Content).
- Preventing Brand Infringement and Unauthorized Use.
- Managing Online Reviews and User-Generated Content.
- Trade Secrets and Confidential Information.

Module 9: Ethical Decision-Making in Hospitality

- Frameworks for Ethical Decision-Making.
- Common Ethical Dilemmas in Hospitality (e.g., Sustainability Claims, Overbooking, Service Recovery).
- Fostering a Culture of Integrity and Honesty.
- Whistleblower Protection.
- Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Initiatives.

Module 10: Managing Guest Disputes and Crisis Communication

- Legal and Ethical Approaches to Handling Guest Complaints.
- Dispute Resolution Mechanisms: Mediation, Arbitration.
- Crisis Communication Strategies with Legal Considerations.
- Public Relations in Legal Disputes.
- Learning from Guest Feedback and Legal Incidents.

Module 11: Emerging Legal Challenges

- The Impact of AI and Automation on Labor Laws and Guest Privacy.
- Accessibility Regulations (ADA) in Digital and Physical Spaces.
- Environmental Regulations and Sustainable Operations.
- Short-Term Rentals (Airbnb) and Local Zoning Laws.
- The Gig Economy and Worker Classification.

Module 12: Building a Culture of Compliance and Ethics

- Developing a Comprehensive Legal and Ethical Compliance Program.
- Training Employees on Key Legal and Ethical Responsibilities.

- Implementing Internal Audit and Monitoring Systems.
- Leadership's Role in Championing Ethics and Compliance.
- Continuous Learning and Adapting to Legal Changes.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practices.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Practice engaging communities in surveillance activities.
- **Expert Presentations:** Insights from experienced public health professionals and community leaders.
- **Group Projects:** Collaborative development of community surveillance plans.
- **Action Planning:** Development of personalized action plans for implementing community-based surveillance.
- **Digital Tools and Resources:** Utilization of online platforms for collaboration and learning.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Sharing experiences and insights on community engagement.
- **Post-Training Support:** Access to online forums, mentorship, and continued learning resources.

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Certification

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

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Key Notes

- Participants must be conversant in English.
- Upon completion of training, participants will receive an Authorized Training Certificate.
- The course duration is flexible and can be modified to fit any number of days.
- Course fee includes facilitation, training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch, and a Certificate upon successful completion.
- One-year post-training support, consultation, and coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be made at least a week before the training commencement to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice, to enable better preparation.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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