

**Compliance & Validation Services Presents a 3-Day Online Training Course on:** 

**Understanding Pharmaceutical Packaging** 

7, 8 & 9 October 2025





- Purpose of pharmaceutical packaging
- Selection criteria and types of packaging available
- Applicable regulatory and industry guidance
- Regulatory submission requirements
- Summary of Product Characteristics and the Common Technical Document
- Glass, plastic and metal primary packaging materials explained in detail
- Secondary packaging requirements
- Tertiary packaging and transit packaging
- Functional testing of packaging
- Stability studies
- Extraction and migration studies
- Safety features, e.g. Anti-Tamper Device, Unique Identifier, Serialisation, Aggregation
- Overview of qualification and validation requirements
- Packaging equipment qualification
- Safety feature qualification
- Packaging process validation
- Ongoing/continued process validation

### Course Summary: Understanding Pharmaceutical Packaging - 7, 8 & 9 October 2025 - Online Training Course

This course provides attendees with an overall appreciation of the complex activities/technology involved in the life-cycle of Pharmaceutical Packaging projects, ranging from material/pack selection/design (based on the product dosage form and product material characteristics), through to the final validation of the Packaging Process and subsequent Ongoing Process Verification. Within this range the course covers: applicable regulatory guidance/rules and international standards; emerging legislation on counterfeit, falsified medicines and product security; development goals for new packaging design and the packaging options available; testing and evaluation of packaging/materials involving; stability and functional testing, extraction and migration studies; and leachables. The course also covers key properties of primary packaging materials/forms and will cover the barrier properties offered in terms of temperature resistance, chemical compatibility and physical properties. Example of primary packaging materials will include glass, plastics, and metals and packaging formats including laminates, blisters, tubes and closures.

A general introduction to the qualification and validation of packaging equipment will be given and this will lead into more detailed presentations covering: risk assessments to determine depth and scope of testing; the qualification of pharmaceutical packaging equipment; testing at the key stages of qualification, including packing safety features design and qualification (e.g. Serialization, Anti-tamper and 2D Data Matrix Codes); Packaging Process Validation (scope, approaches and sampling/testing) and Ongoing Process Verification.

#### **Presenters**



Chris Penfold, Packaging Development Services Ltd: Chris is an experienced Freelance Packaging Development Specialist with a proven track record in general and technical management. He is a packaging professional with over 35 years packaging development and NPD experience working in senior packaging roles on £million-brands in the OTC, healthcare, Rx pharma, veterinary and Medical Device arenas for 'blue-chip' multinational companies such as Glaxo (GSK), CIBA (Novartis), Boots Healthcare International and Reckitt Benckiser Healthcare. Chris is a Chartered Environmentalist & Marketer with extensive cross-functional experience in a broad spectrum of related disciplines, including production, supply chain, QC and marketing. He has experience working in various European countries, Middle East, North America and the Far East; Underpinned by proven interpersonal skills, the ability to make things happen and experience gained from independent international consultancy projects and running his own business. Chris has been delivering a range of highly acclaimed & successful packaging training courses to a Global audience for the past 15 years.



Mike James, Compliance & Validation Services Limited: Mike has over 30 years experience in the pharmaceutical industry, working in a variety of compliance and validation roles. His experience includes preparation and delivery of national/client-based validation training courses, hands-on validation work, validation project management and regulatory compliance consultancy. Previously, Mike spent four years as the Site Validation Manager for GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) at Speke, where he was responsible for all site validation activities, including the development and maintenance of the Site Validation Programme. Before moving to the pharmaceutical industry he spent 15 years as an industry chemist.



John Welbourn, Compliance & Validation Services Limited: A validation professional with over 30 years experience, John has been responsible for the management and execution of validation projects for many major pharmaceutical companies. He has broad experience in the qualification of equipment, utilities, computerised systems, and thermal mapping to support storage conditions. He has presented at conferences in the UK, Europe and the US and has authored several articles on various aspects of validation. John has contributed to The University of Manchester's, Pharmaceutical Engineering Advanced Training (PEAT) Course and Dublin Institute of Technology's (DIT) MSc. course in Pharmaceutical Process Validation.

### **Who Should Attend**

The course is ideally suited to people who are involved directly in Pharmaceutical Packaging (projects, development, operations and ongoing support staff), or people indirectly involved, whose job roles require them to have a general understanding of the principles, standards and regulations that apply to Pharmaceutical Packaging. People from roles such as new product/packaging development, quality assurance (approval of art-work/documentations relating to packaging operations), technical support, QC testing, production supervisory staff and qualification/validation should benefit from this course. The information imparted should be advantageous to people who are new to Packaging roles, or experienced personal who want to refresh/reinforce/expand their knowledge base in this area.

On completing the course, attendees will have a broad/in-depth understanding of the activities involved in the lifecycle of Packaging projects, be able to apply and share their new knowledge to improve their individual effectiveness and look back on a valuable experience.

#### **Online System & Course Fees**

We use industry standard online meetings software platforms to run our live online training courses. Once we have received your booking, you will be contacted by email with details on how to join each day of the course. Please note that we do not record our courses.

Course fees are £1,750.00 (GBP) per attendee.

(See Page 4 for further details on fees/bookings)



Understanding Pharmaceutical Packaging - Online Training Course - Programme: Start Time: 08:00 London/Dublin; 09:00 Central European Time (CET) Please join the course at least 5 minutes before the start.



DAY 1 (Tuesday 7 October 2025)	DAY 2 (Wednesday 8 October 2025)	DAY 3 (Thursday 9 October 2025)
Start: 08:00 London/Dublin; 09:00 CET	Start: 08:00 London/Dublin; 09:00 CET	Start: 08:00 London/Dublin; 09:00 CET
Introduction [John Welbourn]:     Purpose of pharmaceutical packaging and an overview of the types of packaging materials     Selection criteria     Packaging development, testing and validation     Key concepts of packaging equipment qualification and process validation	Cartons (Secondary Packaging) [Chris Penfold]:  Paperboard Carton format, shapes and styles Carton materials Creasing and cutting Carton testing Artwork and Leaflets [Chris Penfold]:	Introduction to The Qualification and Validation of Packaging Equipment [John Welbourn]  • Key concepts, e.g. what's the difference between validation and qualification  • Regulations and terminology used (US Vs Europe)  • Typical sequence of activities  • Critical Quality Attributes (CQAs), Critical Material Attributes (CMAs) and Critical Process Parameters (CPP's) explained for different types of packaging operations.  • Determining the scope of qualification, i.e. What do we need to qualify / validate.  • Key considerations for packaging lines, e.g. line clearance  Qualification of Packaging Equipment [Mike James]  • Overall qualification sequence of events explained  • Impact assessments and risk assessments to determine the scope and depth of testing required, examples for a range of packaging operations  • Typical testing carried out at Design Qualification (DQ), Installation Qualification (IQ) and Operational Qualification (OQ)  • What quality testing is required  • Factory Acceptance Testing (FAT) and Site Acceptance Testing (SAT)  • Documentation and material requirements  • What testing can we carryout at these stages and what tests can we leverage into the IQ and OQ to avoid repetition  Packing Safety Features Qualification [John Welbourn]:  • Serialisation qualification  • Anti-Tamper Device (ATD) qualification  • Unique Identifier qualification  • Bar code  • 2-D Matrix Code print quality  • Test parameters and grade levels  • Human readable data verification  Packaging Process Validation [John Welbourn]  • Links to CQAs/CMAs and CPPs  • Lengths and numbers of batches required  • Can we use a matrix approach?  • Documentation requirements and acceptance criteria  • Sampling and testing requirements – Monitoring of CQAs and CMAs  • Controlling/monitoring of CPPS  • Ensuring personnel variables are covered, e.g. breaks and shift changes  • Reporting
<ul> <li>Purpose of Pharmaceutical Packaging [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Key functions/roles of pharmaceutical packaging</li> <li>New product development process</li> <li>Considerations for pack development</li> <li>Summary of Product Characteristics – what's in it</li> <li>Packaging formats, material properties/characteristics and material</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>General requirements</li> <li>Information leaflets: <ul> <li>Materials, folds, issues and testing</li> </ul> </li> <li>Readability</li> <li>Brail</li> <li>Labelling - materials, construction and requirements</li> </ul>	
compatibility  Packaging testing overview  Regulatory Requirements and Industry Guidance [John Welbourn]:  Global regulations and standards  Key European legislation and guidance  GMP regulations and guidance	<ul> <li>Key challenges</li> <li>Label adhesives</li> <li>Testing</li> </ul> Tertiary and Transit Packaging [Chris Penfold]: <ul> <li>Types and measurements</li> <li>Issues</li> </ul>	
Pharmacopoeia     ICH and Pharmaceutical Quality Group guidance  Regulatory Submission Requirements [Chris Penfold]:     Registration Dossier and Drug Master File (DMF) contents     The submission /approval process	<ul> <li>Testing</li> <li>Choice of Packaging [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Selection criteria</li> <li>Regulatory Context</li> <li>Stability – Testing and Evaluation [Chris Penfold]</li> </ul>	
Common Technical Document (CTD) and CTD modules  Glass Pharmaceutical Packaging [Chris Penfold]:     Types of glass     Manufacture of glass containers, e.g., moulding	<ul> <li>Purpose of testing</li> <li>Types of testing involved</li> <li>Ongoing monitoring, after approval</li> <li>Post approval changes</li> <li>Climatic Zones</li> <li>Photo Stability</li> <li>Functional Testing [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>How to ensure packs are fit for purpose</li> <li>Protection testing</li> <li>Safety testing</li> <li>Compatibility testing</li> <li>Performance Testing</li> <li>Extraction/Migration Studies [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Extraction and leachables explained</li> <li>Extraction and leaching studies</li> <li>Case studies</li> <li>Sorpion studies</li> <li>Reference guides and practical application of rules and guidance</li> <li>Pack Safety Features Design [John Welbourn]:</li> <li>Child resistant packaging</li> <li>Safety features and why they are required</li> <li>Unique Identifier and Anti-Tamper Devices</li> <li>Regulatory requirements</li> <li>Serialistion – serial numbers, aggregation and data matrix codes explained</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Surface coating</li> <li>Potential issues with glass containers</li> <li>Product interactions</li> <li>Benefits and limitations of using glass</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Testing of glass containers</li> <li>Plastic Packaging [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Manufacturing process</li> <li>Types of plastics</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>The use of thermoplastics, e.g. polyethylene (low and high density), polypropylene and polystyrene (including expanded polystyrene)</li> <li>Thermosetting plastics</li> <li>Rubbers and elastomers</li> <li>Benefits and limitations</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Moulding Techniques for Plastic Packaging [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Injection moulding</li> <li>Compression</li> <li>Blow moulding</li> <li>Extrusion</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Injection, stretch and blow moulding</li> <li>Metal Packaging [Chris Penfold]:</li> <li>Types of packaging</li> <li>Benefits and limitations</li> </ul>		Ongoing Process Verification [Mike James]  Monitoring and trending of CMA's and CQA's  Monitoring of the control of CPPs  Use of statistics

Finish: 16:00 London/Dublin; 17:00 CET

## BOOKING DETAILS: Understanding Pharmaceutical Packaging - 7, 8 & 9 October 2025 - Online Training Course

### How to book on this course:

- The simplest and quickest way is to book online. Please use the 'click here' link below to visit the web page for this course, or
- Print out this page, complete the form below by hand and return by fax, email or post.

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