

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE TRAINING: BOARD MEMBER CERTIFICATION



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Introduction

Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification Training Course prepares current and prospective directors to meet their governance responsibilities with competence. Participants work through directors' duties and legal obligations, governance codes and regulatory expectations, board structures, committees, and meeting practice, strategy, risk, financial, and compliance oversight, ethics, conflicts, and disclosure duties, and board evaluation, assurance, and continuous development as one connected programme. The programme links the responsibility a director accepts with the judgement, oversight, and conduct that responsibility demands. As a result, learners gain a practical command of board membership. Furthermore, the course strengthens governance judgement, oversight discipline, and accountability.

Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification Course Objectives

- Explain directors' duties, liabilities, and legal obligations.
- Apply corporate governance codes and regulatory requirements.
- Apply board composition, committee roles, and terms of reference.
- Apply strategy oversight and constructive challenge practice.
- Apply financial literacy for board-level oversight.
- Apply risk oversight, risk appetite, and internal control duties.
- Apply compliance, ethics, and conflict of interest management.
- Apply disclosure, transparency, and stakeholder accountability.
- Apply boardroom practice, decision quality, and minute discipline.
- Apply board evaluation, induction, and continuous development.

Course Methodology



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- Interactive sessions built on boardroom decisions and director duty cases.
- Workshops on duty frameworks, committee roles, and oversight practice.
- Group exercises on strategy challenge, financial review, and ethics cases.
- Hands-on practice with board papers, dashboards, and governance charters.
- Simulation of a board meeting and a conflicted decision scenario.
- Facilitator coaching and peer review on personal director development plans.

Who Should Take This Course

- Current and prospective board members and non-executive directors.
- Chairs and committee chairs and members.
- Executive directors and C-suite members.
- Board secretaries and governance officers.
- Senior executives preparing for board roles.
- Consultants advising on board development and governance training.

Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification Course Outlines

Day 1: Directors' Duties and Legal Framework

- Directors' duties: care, loyalty, and good faith.
- Fiduciary obligations and statutory responsibilities.
- Liability, indemnification, and directors' insurance.
- Governance codes, listing rules, and regulatory expectations.
- Separation of roles: chair, CEO, and board.
- Appointment, tenure, and resignation practice.





- Case discussion: a director who deferred to the chair on everything.

Day 2: Board Structures, Committees, and Governance Practice

- Board composition, size, and independence.
- Committee architecture: audit, risk, nomination, remuneration.
- Committee charters, delegation, and reporting lines.
- Board meeting cycle, agendas, and paper quality.
- Board secretariat, records, and governance documentation.
- Board and committee effectiveness foundations.
- Workshop: mapping board and committee oversight responsibilities.

Day 3: Strategy, Performance, and Financial Oversight

- Strategy oversight and constructive challenge.
- Performance measures, KPIs, and executive accountability.
- Financial literacy: statements, ratios, and cash flow signals.
- Capital allocation, investment, and value creation review.
- Executive remuneration and incentive alignment.
- Succession planning for the CEO and executives.
- Exercise: challenging a strategy paper and a financial report.

Day 4: Risk, Compliance, and Ethical Oversight

- Risk oversight duties and risk appetite setting.
- Internal control, assurance, and audit committee interface.
- Compliance obligations and regulatory interaction.

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- Ethics, conflicts of interest, and related-party transactions.
- Whistleblowing, speak-up, and integrity culture.
- ESG, sustainability, and stakeholder expectations.
- Simulation: handling a conflicted board decision.

Day 5: Boardroom Practice, Evaluation, and Development

- Boardroom dynamics, constructive challenge, and dissent.
- Decision-quality frameworks and decision records.
- Minute quality, resolutions, and follow-up discipline.
- Board evaluation design and results interpretation.
- Director induction, development, and continuous learning.
- Governance improvement planning and development tracking.
- Capstone: presenting a personal director development and board plan.

Conclusion

By successfully completing Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification, participants will gain a practical command of directors' duties and legal obligations, governance codes and regulatory expectations, board structures and committee practice, strategy, performance, financial, risk and compliance oversight, and boardroom practice, evaluation and development. They will acquire skills in oversight challenge, financial and risk review, ethical judgement, and boardroom practice that strengthen their governing contribution. Gentex Training Center designs the programme to help directors govern with confidence.





FAQs for the Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification course

Q1 What is the "Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification" course about?

It prepares current and prospective directors to meet their governance responsibilities with competence. The course spans directors' duties and the legal framework, board structures, committees and governance practice, strategy, performance and financial oversight, risk, compliance and ethical oversight, and boardroom practice, evaluation and development.

Q2 What are the key benefits of the "Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification" course?

You gain a practical command of board membership that links the responsibility a director accepts with the judgement, oversight, and conduct that responsibility demands. The course improves duty and liability awareness, strengthens strategy, financial and risk oversight, sharpens ethical and conflict judgement, and gives you boardroom and evaluation practice that raises your governing contribution.

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Q3 What skills will I gain from the "Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification" course?

You will develop four core skills: directors' duty, liability and governance code application, board structure and committee oversight practice, strategy, performance, financial, risk and compliance oversight with constructive challenge, and boardroom practice with ethical judgement and board evaluation.





Q4 What tools, methods, or standards are covered in the "Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification" course?

The course covers directors' duties of care, loyalty and good faith, fiduciary obligations and statutory responsibilities, liability, indemnification and directors' insurance, governance codes, listing rules and regulatory expectations, separation of roles across chair, CEO and board, appointment, tenure and resignation practice, board composition, size and independence, committee architecture for audit, risk, nomination and remuneration, committee charters, delegation and reporting lines, board meeting cycle, agendas and paper quality, board secretariat, records and governance documentation, strategy oversight and constructive challenge, performance measures, KPIs and executive accountability, financial literacy across statements, ratios and cash flow signals, capital allocation, investment and value creation review, executive remuneration and incentive alignment, succession planning for the CEO and executives, risk oversight duties and risk appetite setting, internal control, assurance and audit committee interface, compliance obligations and regulatory interaction, ethics, conflicts of interest and related-party transactions, whistleblowing, speak-up and integrity culture, ESG, sustainability and stakeholder expectations, boardroom dynamics, constructive challenge and dissent, decision-quality frameworks and decision records, minute quality, resolutions and follow-up discipline, board evaluation design and results interpretation, and director induction, development and continuous learning.



Q5 How is the "Corporate Governance Training: Board Member Certification" course applied in real-world practice?

Participants apply it to real work such as challenging a strategy paper and a financial report, mapping board and committee oversight responsibilities, setting risk appetite at board level, handling a conflicted board decision, reviewing an executive remuneration proposal, running a board self-assessment, and presenting a personal director development and board plan. The same methods support committee effectiveness review and governance reporting improvement.