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## Adobe Photoshop CS4 – For the Web

## Course Outline

**Duration:** 1 day

This Photoshop training course allows you to get to grips with the powerful Adobe Photoshop software.

Photoshop is the current market leader for commercial image manipulation and creation and is considered the industry standard in most jobs related to the use of visual elements.

### **Course Description**

In this course you will learn to use retouching and selecting tools, layers, effects, filters and create multi image montages. You will also get a good understanding of file sizes and file types relating to use on screen.

### **Who is the course designed for?**

Anyone who wants to be able to use Photoshop for creating images for web and presentation and has a very limited or no knowledge of Photoshop.

### **What if I have problems after the course?**

We offer a free 6 months email support service.

### **Do I get notes?**

You will be given a free book at the end of the course. We use the Quickstart books as they are easy to read and find answers in without having to read a whole chapter.

### **Can I use Photoshop Elements?**

Photoshop Elements is very different to CS4 so we would recommend you come on an Elements course.

### **Pre-Requisites**

Before starting the course, you should have a basic understanding of your computer's operating system. For example, you should know how to launch an application, save files and do simple navigation between programs.

### **On Completion**

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Explore Photoshop CS4
- Paint and retouch images
- Enhance an image and prepare it for web
- Work with layers and selections
- Understand image size and resolution for web use

## Opening Images in Photoshop

- Exploring default workspace and Bridge
- Palette Management
- Navigation shortcuts

## Image Adjustments

- Modifying brightness & contrast
- Using variations for colour correction
- Colour adjustment palette
- Levels & curves
- Hue & saturation
- Shadow & highlight tool to bring back shadow detail

## Selections

- Creating selections using elliptical and rectangular tools
- Quick selections and lasso tools
- Adding and subtracting from selections
- Saving and reloading selections
- Transforming selections
- Feathering selections

## Layers

- Creating and using layers
- Erasing and deleting from layers
- Varying layer transparency
- Applying layer effects eg, drop shadow

## Transformations

- Transforming layers
- Free transform
- Transforming selections

## Gradients, Colours, Patterns

- Fills and Gradients
- Match colours
- Fill and Gradient tools
- Patterns

## Text

- Using the type tool
- Understanding basic typography
- Paragraph type

## Retouching images

- Standard Brush tools
- Blend modes
- Toning and Smudge tools
- Clone Stamp
- Healing brush

## Understanding Resolution

- Understanding resolutions for the web

## Exporting for Web & Devices

- Jpg, gifs and pngs
- Optimising for web
- Transparency for web
- Image slicing and the slicing tools

## Animation

- Understanding the timeline
- Understanding keyframes and tweening
- Animating images and text
- Exporting animated files