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Asbestos for Managers Training

Product summary

Background

Approximately 3,000 people die each year in the UK as a result of asbestos related diseases. By 2020, this is expected to peak at 10,000 deaths a year.

Recent research shows that 25% of the deaths from these diseases are in people who have spent some of their working life in the building and maintenance trades.

The Control of Asbestos Regulations 2006 requires organisations to manage the risks from asbestos in buildings.

Summary

This facilitated interactive discussion between the consultant and delegates involves practical and theoretical content and examples. On completion of the course, delegates will be able to take their practical experience back to the workplace and use it within their own areas of responsibility.

Training methods include the use of discussion techniques, pictures, text and film to demonstrate the hazards of working with asbestos and asbestos-containing material including practical examples of where asbestos can be found.

The training course will increase managers' and supervisors' awareness of the possible presence of asbestos in buildings and the associated health hazards, to help minimise the risk of accidental fibre release.

The workshop is designed to provide only an introduction to the subject. Further guidance, training and/or specialist help may well be required before duty holders are able to fully comply with the duty to manage asbestos. This course is not a substitute for the training that is required for work with asbestos containing materials as identified in The Control of Asbestos Regulations 2006.

Objectives

The training gives delegates:

- A full understanding of the facts about asbestos
- Knowledge of material containing asbestos
- Knowledge of health hazards from asbestos
- An understanding of the legal position and new legislation
- An understanding of health and safety legislation
- Knowledge of managers' duties and the requirements of duty holders
- The ability to understand how to assess the risks of asbestos
- An opportunity to discuss how to create an asbestos management plan.

Features

- This course is based around a half-day session for up to 15 delegates with either one half-day session per day or two half-day sessions on the same day at a reduced rate
- The product stands alone but is also available as a similar half-day awareness course for operatives.

Duration

Half-day.

Provider

A fully trained and experienced Zurich Risk Management Consultant.

Format

Facilitated workshop/training course.

Benefits

- Gives the ability to identify possible locations of asbestos in buildings
- Gives the ability to review working practices to minimise potential exposure
- Raises awareness of how to comply with legislation from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) for exposing employees to asbestos fibres
- Raises awareness of how to avoid suspension of business operation in areas affected during potentially expensive clean-up operations
- Improves the ability to identify hazards and risks
- Develops the skills to help the organisation implement an effective health and safety system
- Raises awareness about how to avoid potentially expensive employers and public liability claims through advice on creation and implementation of an asbestos management plan.

Where this would be useful

All organisations with concerns around their ability to manage asbestos risks.

Who is it aimed at?

Estates managers, building services and maintenance managers.

Case studies/quotes

An organisation noted concerns being raised over how contract managers dealt with the risk of asbestos being disturbed during renovation work. After the training course, the organisation felt those managers were more aware of the potential impact of not managing the risk effectively.

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