

## **BOHS Approved Course Scheme**

### **Asbestos Awareness**

#### **Learning outcomes**

'Asbestos Awareness' is designed as a BOHS Approved course providing basic knowledge and understanding of the risks from asbestos-containing materials (ACMs) in buildings and how these can be minimised.

#### **Course aims**

- 1) Provide an appreciation of the health risks associated with asbestos and the importance of preventing and controlling exposure.
- 2) Give a clear understanding of everybody's roles and responsibilities concerning the management of asbestos-containing materials (ACMs). This will include employers, employees, safety representatives etc.
- 3) Provide an overview of the main elements of the Duty to Manage Asbestos and what constitutes an Asbestos Management Plan.

#### **Learning outcomes**

The Asbestos Awareness course syllabus should provide delegates with a basic appreciation of:

- 1) the properties of asbestos, health effects and the increased risk of lung cancer for asbestos workers who smoke;
- 2) the types of asbestos products, uses and typical locations of ACMs in buildings;
- 3) the general procedures to be followed when dealing with an emergency, for example an uncontrolled release of asbestos dust into the workplace;
- 4) how to avoid the risks from asbestos for example for building work; and
- 5) Overview of the legal responsibilities including the Duty to Manage ACMs.

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