NEW course available for asbestos in soils

About the qualification

What is it about?
This Advanced Proficiency qualification provides candidates with the knowledge and skills required to safely identify and quantify asbestos in soils to a standard consistent with the HSL Asbestos in Soils Scheme (AISS).

Who is it for?
This course is ideal for those who undertake qualitative and quantitative analysis of asbestos in soils for the purpose of assessing land and ground contamination prior to remediation.

This can include many disciplines such as asbestos analysts, land surveyors, laboratory analysts and site investigators.

Why should I take this course?

What are the benefits?

• Our P408 is the first qualification of this kind to focus on the analysis of asbestos in soils. Aim to become one of the first in your field to be awarded the P408 certificate. Your achievement will demonstrate your level of ability to employers and clients.

• Working closely with CL:AIRE, CIRIA and other organisations within the land remediation industry, this course has been developed by experienced asbestos professionals, with soil samples provided by the Health and Safety Laboratory (HSL).
Candidates will learn about:

- Controlling the health risks of asbestos
- Sample handling and waste disposal
- Identification of asbestos by Polarised Light Microscopy (PLM)
- Gravimetric quantification of asbestos-containing materials
- Discrimination and quantification of free fibres by dispersion and Phase Contrast Microscopy (PCM)
- Analysis of soils - practical application

What are the entry requirements?

Candidates must already hold the qualification P401 - Identification of Asbestos in Bulk Samples (PLM) and have experience of analysing bulk samples within the last three years.

Candidates must also have fibre counting experience. It is also highly recommended for candidates to hold the P403 - Asbestos Fibre Counting (PCM) qualification.

How do I apply for a course?

To find your nearest BOHS Approved Training Provider and book a course, please visit www.bohs.org/qualifications-training/find-a-course, go to “Search for a course here” and select P408. The course dates, training providers and locations will be listed. Our training providers look forward to hearing from you to discuss your individual requirements.

Who delivers this course?

Companies can become BOHS Approved Training Providers (ATPs) and apply to run P408.

Duration
Four days (including assessments)

Level
Level 5 in the BOHS qualifications framework (equivalent to NVQ Level 5)

For details of cost and for more information, please contact qualifications@bohs.org or phone us at 01332 298101, choosing option 2 to speak to the Qualifications Team