

## P400 – Asbestos Foundation Module

### Written Examination Guidance

It is important that candidates prepare thoroughly for all exams, as poor exam technique can result in lost Marks.

The following advice is applicable to all candidates and should be contained in the examination briefing:

- ✓ Read questions carefully before answering, and only then answer the question.
- ✓ Look for key words in the exam question, such as 'When...', 'Why...' etc.
- ✓ This is a multiple-choice examination – candidates should only select one answer.
- ✓ The number of Marks available for each answer is one.
- ✓ Avoid getting bogged down unnecessarily in earlier questions. Give priority to questions that can be readily answered before tackling more challenging ones.
- ✓ Exam papers are structured to follow the sections of the syllabus, so candidates can easily find all questions relating to each sub-section.
- ✓ It is recommended that candidates take a couple of minutes to skim through the exam paper before they start answering the questions. They can then answer the questions they find easiest first, which will help them to accumulate Marks and hopefully give them confidence to tackle more challenging questions.

### Sample Examination Questions

Each question is based on a specific syllabus item, examples of which are shown below:

**Question 1** Within which of the following locations would you be most likely to find asbestos textile products?

- a) Roof coverings
- b) Electrical boxes
- c) Wall structures
- d) Decorative coatings

**ANSWER: b)**

- Question 2** When is it compulsory to use a HSE-licensed contractor for asbestos removal work?
- a) For all types of asbestos removal work
  - b) Where exposure to asbestos is infrequent
  - c) When repairing minor damage to asbestos containing materials
  - d) Where there is the potential for asbestos exposure levels to be above the control limit

**ANSWER: d)**

- Question 3** Which skin problem can be caused by exposure to asbestos?
- a) Warts
  - b) Sunburn
  - c) Dermatitis
  - d) Skin eczema

**ANSWER: a)**

- Question 4** When selecting an asbestos analyst how can their competence best be assessed?
- a) By requesting that they complete a pre-qualification questionnaire
  - b) By checking their UKAS accreditation, training records for employees and references from previous employers
  - c) By requesting additional assurances from the organisation's technical manager
  - d) By ensuring that they are audited once appointed

**ANSWER: b)**

- Question 5** Which of the following should not be present in the clean end of a DCU?
- a) Mirror
  - b) Lockers
  - c) Negative pressure unit
  - d) Disposable towels

**ANSWER: c)**