

NEBOSH National General Certificate Unit GC2 - Controlling Workplace Hazards

Introduction

This Supplement contains updates to your study material for Unit GC2 of the NEBOSH Certificate. Please read it carefully.

Element 1: Workplace Hazards and Risk Control

Health, Welfare and Work Environment Requirements

Health and Welfare Provisions

In the first paragraph under this subheading, "Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007" has been updated to "Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015".

Element 6: Fire Safety

Fire Risk Assessment

Temporary Workplaces and Changes to Workplaces

In the second paragraph under this subheading, "Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007" has been updated to "Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015".

Element 7: Chemical and Biological Health Hazards and Risk Control

Forms of, Classification of, and Health Risks from Hazardous Substances

Main Classification of Substances Hazardous to Health

The second and third paragraphs under this subheading have been amended to read as follows:

"The classification of hazardous substances supplied into a workplace is covered by the **European Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 on Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures (CLP Regulation)**. This Regulation puts a duty on the manufacturer/importer/supplier to appropriately classify any substance or preparation (mixture) that they supply. They must also ensure that it is appropriately packaged and labelled. You may remember, from your NGC1 studies, that this is an extension of the manufacturer's, importer's and supplier's duties under Section 6 of **HSWA**.

The **CLP Regulation** implements the United Nations Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) within the EU. Knowledge of this legal framework is not required for Certificate purposes. It is simply sufficient to recognise that the classification and labelling has been harmonised to introduce one global standard."

Assessment of Health Risks

Sources of Information

Product Labels

The last paragraph of this subsection has been amended to read:

"Substances must be classified, labelled and packaged according to the CLP Regulation (EC Regulation 1272/2008)."

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Safe Handling and Storage of Waste

Classification of Waste

Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Waste

The text under this subheading has been revised to read as follows:

"Hazardous waste can be defined as 'waste which may be so dangerous or difficult to treat, keep or dispose of that special provision is required for dealing with it'. It is generally waste that is highly flammable, toxic, carcinogenic and corrosive.

Non-hazardous waste generally includes household waste, paper, wood and other biodegradable materials.

Hazardous waste is defined in legislation with additional duties on those involved that are in addition to those assigned to non-hazardous waste."