

WINTER 2016

Welcome!

Hello and welcome to the Winter 2016 issue of the RRC Newsletter - Health and Safety Business.

Here you'll find important information and updates about your course and the latest NEBOSH registration dates.

If you ever want to check out other updates, developments or events, don't forget to visit our website:

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All the best,

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Student Focus

Examination Closing Dates

Student Focus

In this section of the newsletter we focus on any important information that applies to your course. Please review the following carefully for anything that may impact your studies.

Don't worry – all the amendments noted here will be made to your online resources.

NEBOSH Resources

If you are studying for a NEBOSH qualification, we would like to remind you that guidance from NEBOSH is available in the following publications:

- **Guidance on Command Words and Question Papers**

This is provided at both Certificate and Diploma level and gives definitions of command words and example responses to everyday scenarios and typical exam questions.

You can access it from the Student area of the NEBOSH website.

- **Example Question Paper and Examiners' Feedback on Expected Answers**

This is provided for each qualification and gives example exam questions with examiners' expectations and typical areas of underperformance by students. The aim is to help you better understand the syllabus content and how the assessment criteria are applied.

You can access it from the Student area of the NEBOSH website and also from the RRC Learning Centre Resource Library (where it's called "Example NEBOSH Exam Papers").

We strongly recommend reading this guidance as part of your preparation for the exams.



RRC Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide

We have added a new entry to the Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide to cover the **Control of Electromagnetic Fields at Work Regulations 2016**. If you are studying a national (UK) course, you can access this by clicking on the following link:

[Control of Electromagnetic Fields at Work Regulations 2016](#)

The complete Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide (in which the change has already been made) can be accessed via your Learning Centre Resource Library.

Any changes required to your study elements as a result of the legislation referred to above are covered in the section on your course below.

RRC Environmental Law and Case Law Guide

We have made a small amendment to bring the Environmental Law and Case Law Guide up to date. If you are studying a national (UK) course, please note the change below.

Noise Emission in the Environment by Equipment for Use Outdoors Regulations 2001

In this entry, under the subheading Enforcement, the first sentence now reads:

“The Regulations are enforced by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (formerly the National Measurement and Regulation Office).”

The complete Environmental Law and Case Law Guide (in which the change has already been made) can be accessed via your Learning Centre Resource Library.

Any changes required to your study elements as a result of the legislation referred to above are covered in the section on your course below.

NEBOSH National Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety (2015 Specification)

Unit B

We have updated the study material for Element B9 of this unit in relation to:

- The latest edition of L23 Manual handling – *Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992 – Guidance on Regulations*.
- The HSE’s new Risk Assessment of Pushing and Pulling (RAPP) tool (INDG478).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Nat Dip Unit B Supplement \(2015\)](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.





NEBOSH National Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety (2010 Specification)

Unit B

We have updated the study material for Element B9 of this unit in relation to the HSE's new Risk Assessment of Pushing and Pulling (RAPP) tool (INDG478).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Nat Dip Unit B Supplement \(2010\)](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.

NEBOSH International Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety (2015 Specification)

Unit IB

We have updated the study material for Element IB9 of this unit in relation to:

- The latest edition of the UK HSE's guidance note, L23 *Manual handling*.
- The UK HSE's new Risk Assessment of Pushing and Pulling (RAPP) tool (INDG478).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Int Dip Unit IB Supplement \(2015\)](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.

NEBOSH International Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety (2010 Specification)

Unit IB

We have updated the study material for Element IB9 of this unit in relation to the UK HSE's new Risk Assessment of Pushing and Pulling (RAPP) tool (INDG478).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Int Dip Unit IB Supplement \(2010\)](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.





NEBOSH National Diploma in Environmental Management

Unit ED1

We have updated the study material for this unit in relation to:

- The Paris Agreement on Climate Change (Elements 1 and 15).
- The responsibilities of the Government's new Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (Elements 9, 12 and 15).
- The withdrawal of the Pollution Prevention Guidelines series (Element 11).
- **EU Regulation 1143/2014** on invasive alien species (Element 14).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit ED1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.

NEBOSH Certificate

NEBOSH Construction Certificate

Unit NCC1 Element 4

We have made a small amendment to the study material for this element.

In the main section on **Musculoskeletal Disorders and Work-Related Upper Limb Disorders**, the following new Topic Focus box has been added after the first paragraph of the existing text:

TOPIC FOCUS

The HSE's guidance on the **Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992** (L23, 4th edition, 2016) makes the 'relevant self-employed' person responsible for their own safety during manual handling. They should take the same steps to safeguard themselves as employers must to protect their employees, in similar circumstances. However, employers may be responsible for the health and safety of someone who is self-employed for tax and National Insurance purposes but who works under their control and direction.

Note: this change has been made to your online material.





IEMA

IEMA Associate Certificate in Environmental Management

We have updated the study material for this course in relation to:

- The Paris Agreement on Climate Change (Element 3).
- The withdrawal of Pollution Prevention Guidelines PPG2 (Element 5).
- **EU Regulation 1143/2014** on invasive alien species (Element 6).
- The responsibilities of the Government's new Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (Element 10).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[IEMA Associate Certificate Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made to your online material.

IEMA Foundation Certificate in Environmental Management

Element 1

In relation to the topic of Global Climate Change in this element (in the main section on **Key Environmental Issues**), you should note the following information about the Paris Agreement on Climate Change:

“The **Paris Agreement** was developed at the Paris climate conference in December 2015 and formally entered into force in November 2016 when a sufficient number of countries had ratified it. The Paris Agreement is planned to enter into force in 2020. It provides a framework to reduce global warming to well below 2 degrees C above pre-industrial levels and plans to achieve climate-neutrality by the end of the century. This is achieved by the setting of, and compliance with, 5-yearly targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions.”





Examination Closing Dates

The registration dates for the next available sittings for the NEBOSH exams are listed below. Please make sure you are aware of any mandatory entry requirements, such as submission of coursework, attendance at workshops, etc.

Please note that the following information is based on the national dates set by NEBOSH. Some centres arrange 'local' examination dates, which will fall on different days.

Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
NEBOSH Award in Health and Safety at Work/Process Industries		
Units: HSW1, HSEP1 Call for exam venues	12/05/2017	04/07/2017
NEBOSH National Certificate		
Units: NGC1, GC2, FC1, NCC1, EC1, NHC1	06/01/2017	08/03/2017
NEBOSH International Certificate		
Units: IGC1, GC2, IFC1, ICC1, IOG	07/04/2017	07/06/2017
NEBOSH Diploma in Environmental Management		
	05/05/2017	20/07/2017
NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety		
Unit A, Unit IA	05/05/2017	18/07/2017
Unit B, Unit IB	05/05/2017	19/07/2017
Unit C, Unit IC	05/05/2017	20/07/2017
NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety		
Unit D/Unit DNI	06/01/2017	22/02/2017

RRC Middle East

Please click the following link to access RRC Middle East to check course dates and fees for 2017.

www.rrc.com.bh

