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Welcome!

Hello and welcome to the June 2026 issue of the RRC Newsletter.

Here's an overview of the most recent and important developments at RRC and what you can look forward to in the coming months. As always, you can find more information on our website: www.rrc.co.uk

Upcoming Events

Safety, Health & Wellbeing Live London and the Blue Light Show | London Olympia | 1-2 July 2026

Co-located SHW Live and Blue Light Show are back at the London Olympia this summer for their 2nd year. Both shows offer the high-quality seminars and exhibitors you've come to expect, and are set to be even bigger and better than last year.

The events provide a great opportunity to meet our customers and learners face to face and advise on the range of courses, products, and consultancy services that RRC provide, and RRC are delighted to return as a Premier Partner for SHW Live. We will have our main stand in the National Hall for SHW Live, as well as a smaller stand in the Blue Light Show to provide support to the emergency services community specifically.

RRC will be delivering 2 sessions across the event,:

The Future of Safety Training

Time and Location: Day 1 - 3:20pm @ Keynote Theatre

Synopsis: A forward-looking session exploring how safety training must evolve in response to AI, changing workplace expectations and the need for practical competence.

The New Risks

Time and Location: Day 2 - 1:15pm @ NEBOSH Live Theatre

Synopsis: Technology continues to drive rapid advancement across industries, also bringing about change. This means new tools, approaches, ways of working but what about new risks? Join us as we look at some risks that we need to actively consider now, and do a bit of horizon scanning to consider some future risks worth preparing for.

You can register for free at [SHW Live](#) and [Blue Light Show](#) and can access both events by registering to just one.



Free RRC Resources

Did History (Actually) Teach Us Anything? Podcast

Did you know that RRC has a monthly podcast? Each episode explores a famous historical event or disaster through a health and safety lens. It analyses what led to the events, what the outcomes were and, if it happened today, what could have been done differently.

You can listen to over 20 episodes already available on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#) and [Amazon Music](#)

Monthly Webinars

Alongside our podcast, RRC run monthly public webinars on a variety of HSE topics. Previous webinar sessions covered risk assessment, ESG, health and safety culture, health and safety technology, employee responsibilities and health and safety trends.

You can view the full list, and watch recordings of all previous sessions [on the RRC website](#).

RRC Blog

Members of the RRC team, including myself and Lead Environmental Tutor John Binns, continue to add Blogs to help you with your studies. The latest offerings include:

- [How to Apply Life Cycle Thinking in Environmental Management](#)
- [How to Complete your NEBOSH GNC2/GIC2 Risk Assessment Practical \(2025 Syllabus\)](#)
- [James Bond Meets His Match with the HSE](#)
- [What is Environmental Planning and Its Relationship to Environmental Management](#)
- [Sustainability Reporting Requirements for Large Organisations in the UK](#)

Look after yourselves and stay safe.

All the best,

Richard Stockley
Managing Director





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.

NEBOSH Resources

Guidance

If you are studying for a NEBOSH qualification, we would like to remind you that guidance from NEBOSH is available in the following publications, which can all be accessed from the 'Qualifications' area of the NEBOSH website (under 'Resources' for each relevant qualification):

- **NEBOSH Scenario-Based Assessments: Guidance for Learners**
This provides guidance on Scenario-Based Assessments for NEBOSH qualifications. It gives examples of extracts from past scenarios, types of questions and how marks would be awarded for answers.
(Note: only relevant to digital assessments.)
- **NEBOSH Certificate Scenario-Based Digital Assessments: Learner Guide**
This gives guidance on the Open Book Examinations for Certificate Units GNC1, NG1, GIC1, IG1, CN1, CI1, FSC1 and EMC1. Its aim is to help learners prepare for the digital assessment and the closing interview.
(Note: not relevant to any other Certificate units.)
- **NEBOSH National and International General Certificates in Occupational Health and Safety Assessments: Learner Performance Report May 2023**
This uses the May 2023 Unit NG1 Open Book Exam as an example. It gives advice on the kind of answers that would attract marks and those that would not and guidance on how to approach similar questions that you could expect to see in future papers.
(Note: only relevant to Units GNC1, NG1, GIC1 and IG1.)
- **Diploma Digital Assessment: Learner Guide**
This gives guidance on the digital assessments for Diploma Units DN1, DI1, DN2, DI2, DN3 and DI3. Its aim is to help learners prepare for the assessment and the professional discussion.
(Note: not relevant to any other Diploma units.)
- **Guidance on command words used in learning outcomes and question papers – Certificate qualifications**
This gives definitions of command words and example responses to everyday scenarios and typical exam questions.
(Note: only relevant to Unit IOG1.)
- **Guidance on command words used in learning outcomes and question papers – Diploma qualifications**
This gives definitions of command words and example responses to typical exam questions.
(Note: only relevant to Unit ED1.)

We strongly recommend reading the guidance referred to above that is relevant to the units you are studying, as part of your preparation for the assessments.





Sample Papers/Assessments and Examiners' Reports

The following are available on the NEBOSH website (under 'Resources' for each relevant qualification):

- **Sample Papers** for Units GNC1/NG1, GIC1/IG1, CN1, CI1, FSC1, EMC1 and IOG1.
- **Sample Assessments** for Units DN1, DI1, DN2, DI2, DN3 and DI3.
- **Examiners' Reports** for Unit ED1.

Note on Assessment Terminology

NEBOSH use the following terms in relation to their assessments - we thought it would be useful to clarify what RRC see these as, so we can put your mind at ease, as it could be a little confusing:

- **Digital assessment:** the way the assessment is delivered and completed is entirely electronic, meaning you download the assessment paper and submit it electronically using the NEBOSH platform.
- **Scenario-based assessment:** this is the style of the assessment. It uses a scenario which you need to read, refer to and rely on when answering the questions/completing the tasks in the paper.
- **Open-book exam:** this is the format of the assessment. An open-book exam, as you know, allows you to refer to resources and notes while you are completing the paper.

Please familiarise yourself with the following [NEBOSH policies](#), especially any relevant application deadlines:

- Access Arrangements and Reasonable Adjustments Policy (for extenuating circumstances you can anticipate, that may affect your performance - this includes the use of grammar/spellcheck tools, which are subject to approval and restrictions)
- Malpractice Policy and Procedures (in particular Plagiarism, Collusion and use of Artificial Intelligence)
- Refunds policy and procedure (if you registered for an assessment and it's too late to cancel/postpone, and you have extenuating circumstances)
- Special Considerations (for extenuating circumstances you couldn't anticipate, that may have affected your performance)





RRC Resources

RRC Environmental Law and Case Law Guide

We have updated the Environmental Law and Case Law Guide in relation to some recent legislation. If you are studying a national (UK) course, please note the change below.

Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Act 2026

This is a new entry. You can access it here:

[Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Act 2026](#)

NEBOSH National Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals

Unit DN1 Learning Outcome 5

Some text in this learning outcome has been updated in relation to:

- The NEBOSH definition of 'incident' and other common definitions.
- Immediate, underlying and root causes.
- The illustration of the Swiss Cheese Model.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DN1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

Unit DN3 Learning Outcome 11.4

Some text in this learning outcome has been updated in relation to:

- The classification of fires.
- The **Fire Safety (Residential Evacuation Plans) (England) Regulations 2025**.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DN3 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.





NEBOSH International Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals

Unit DI1 Learning Outcome 5

Some text in this learning outcome has been updated in relation to:

- The NEBOSH definition of 'incident' and other common definitions.
- Immediate, underlying and root causes.
- The illustration of the Swiss Cheese Model.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DI1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

Unit DI3 Learning Outcome 10.4

Some text in this learning outcome has been updated in relation to the classification of fires.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DI3 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.





NEBOSH National Diploma in Environmental Management

Units ED1 and NDEM2

Some text in these units has been updated in relation to:

- ISO 14001:2026 (Unit ED1 Elements 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9 and 10).
- Discontinuation of the GRI Topic Standard 304: *Biodiversity* (Unit ED1 Element 3).
- The **Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026** (Unit NDEM2 Element 3).
- Exchange for Change becoming the administrator for the Deposit Return Schemes in England and Northern Ireland and Scotland (Unit NDEM2 Element 3).
- The **Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Act 2026** (Unit NDEM2 Element 3).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[NED Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

NEBOSH International Diploma in Environmental Management

Unit ED1

Some text in this unit has been updated in relation to:

- ISO 14001:2026 (Unit ED1 Elements 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9 and 10).
- Discontinuation of the GRI Topic Standard 304: *Biodiversity* (Unit ED1 Element 3).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[IED Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.





NEBOSH Certificate

NEBOSH National General Certificate

Unit GNC2 Element 10

Some text in this element has been updated in relation to the classification of fires.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[GNC2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

NEBOSH International General Certificate

Unit GIC2 Element 10

Some text in this element has been updated in relation to the classification of fires.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[GIC2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

NEBOSH National/International Construction Certificate

Unit CN1/CI1 Element 11

The ISO standard for fire classification uses categories A, B, C, D, or F, depending on the nature of the fuel involved in the combustion process. Because of the higher energy release and faster growth rate of fires involving lithium-ion batteries, which are electrochemical in nature, they have been separately categorised as 'Class L'. The standard has therefore been revised to include Class L fires.

The study material will be updated to reflect this change.





NEBOSH Fire Certificate

Unit FSC1

Some text in this unit has been updated in relation to:

- Fire load (Element 3).
- BS 5839, Part 1 (Element 4).
- The classification of fires (Element 4).
- Fire safety regulations from an international perspective (Element 6).
- Including lithium-ion batteries in fire risk assessments (Element 6).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit FSC1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.

NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate

Unit EMC1

Some text in this unit has been updated in relation to ISO 14001:2026 (Elements 1, 2, 3 and 4).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit EMC1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC course content and publications.





NEBOSH Award

NEBOSH Health and Safety at Work Award

Unit HSA1

Some text in this unit has been updated in relation to the revised syllabus introduced by NEBOSH.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit HSA1 Supplement](#)

Note: this change has been made in RRC course content and publications.

PROQUAL Level 6 OHS Diploma

Unit 8 Learning Outcome 1.2

The ISO standard for fire classification uses categories A, B, C, D, or F, depending on the nature of the fuel involved in the combustion process. Because of the higher energy release and faster growth rate of fires involving lithium-ion batteries, which are electrochemical in nature, they have been separately categorised as 'Class L'. The standard has therefore been revised to include Class L fires.

The learner notes will be updated to reflect this change.





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.

UK paper-based exam venues are now in London, Manchester and Glasgow.

Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
NEBOSH Certificate in Process Safety Management; NEBOSH Award in Environmental Awareness at Work (Online Multiple-Choice Exam)		
Units: PSM1, EAW1	10/06/2026	22/07/2026
	15/07/2026	26/08/2026
	12/08/2026	23/09/2026
NEBOSH National / International General Certificate (Open-Book Exam) - all specifications		
Units: NG1/GNC1, IG1/GIC1	26/06/2026	05/08/2026 (Final date for NG1/IG1)
	24/07/2026	09/09/2026 (all languages)
	28/08/2026	07/10/2026
NEBOSH National/International General Certificate (Unit 2, 2018 specifications only)		
Units: NG2, IG2	26/06/2026	12/08/2026 (Final date)
NEBOSH National/International General Certificate (Unit 2, 2025 specifications only)		
Units: GNC2, GIC2	26/06/2026	19/08/2026
	24/07/2026	23/09/2026 (all languages)
	28/08/2026	21/10/2026
NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety (Open-Book Exam)		
Unit FSC1	26/06/2026	05/08/2026
	25/09/2026	04/11/2026
NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety (Practical Assessment)		
Unit FSC2	26/06/2026	12/08/2026
	25/09/2026	11/11/2026



Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
Health and Safety Management for Construction (UK/International)		
Units: CN1/CI1	28/08/2026	06-07/10/2026
	20/11/2026	05-06/01/2027
NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate (Open-Book Exam)		
Unit EMC1	24/07/2026	09/09/2026
	23/10/2026	02/12/2026
NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate (Practical Assessment)		
Unit EMC2	24/07/2026	16/09/2026
	23/10/2026	09/12/2026
NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety - Existing learners only		
Unit IOG1	03/07/2026	17/09/2026 (FINAL DATE)
UK locations subject to availability - contact exams@rrc.co.uk for details		
NEBOSH National/International Diploma in Environmental Management		
Unit ED1	04/12/2026	08/02/2027
	07/05/2027	12/07/2027
Unit N/IDEM2	03/07/2026	26/08/2026
	02/10/2026	25/11/2026
NEBOSH Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals		
DN1, DI1	10/07/2026 (Resits: 07/08/2026)	16/09/2026-14/10/2026
DN2, DI2	04/09/2026 (Resits: 02/10/2026)	11-25/11/2026
DN3, DI3	30/10/2026 (Resits: 20/11/2026)	13-27/01/2027

