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CDM / Health and Safety Newsletter

This year has seen some significant new publications in health and safety, not least the long-awaited ISO 45001 which will transform workplace practices globally and the 18th Edition IET Wiring Regulations which was published in July 2018 and is intended to come into effect on 1st January 2019.

The most significant change in the new IET Wiring Regulations being that all electrical installations designed after 31st December 2018 will have to comply with BS 7671:2018.

We are delighted to announce we have renewed our Corporate membership with the APS having passed our recent audit with flying colours. Our corporate membership of the APS demonstrates our expertise and commitment to best practice.

Our sister company (ACT Building Control) have recently provided a presentation on the Building Regulations to APS members that included a topical Q&A session afterwards on the Hackitt report, proposed extension to the current CDM 2015 Regulations and the recommendations that a fire and emergency file is produced at handover. If anyone would like a copy of the presentation, please get in touch.

Finally, we must mention the Grenfell tragedy. The Hackitt report is still being digested by the industry, but we are sure that Fire Engineering and the CDM Regulations have a closer association in the coming years. If this improves fire safety, we are fully supportive of that direction.

HSE site/health inspections focus for October

“Dustbusters”

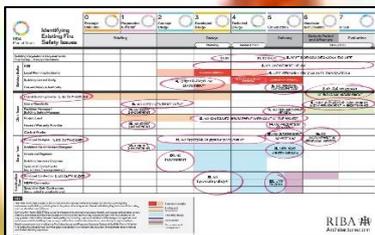
Construction companies are the focus of HSE inspections during October and inspectors will be visiting construction sites across Great Britain to see if businesses have measures in place to protect their workers’ lungs from the likes of asbestos, silica and wood dust.

The HSE inspectors’ focus will be specifically for evidence of construction workers knowing the risk, planning their work and using the right RPE controls.

RIBA sets mandatory safety competence test post Grenfell

Members of RIBA will be required to take a health & safety test from 2019, to prove their competence in safeguarding of building users.

RIBA has issued a statement that architects have come under “increasing pressure” since the Grenfell tragedy to show the construction industry, Clients and procuring bodies that they have the right level of health and safety competence as well as the skills to ensure the safety of residents/occupants.



Module	Topic	Learning Objectives
1. Health and Safety Legislation	1.1 Health and Safety Legislation	1.1.1 Identify the key legislation that applies to the construction industry.
	1.2 Health and Safety Legislation	1.2.1 Explain the role of the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and the Local Authorities.
2. Construction Health and Safety	2.1 Construction Health and Safety	2.1.1 Identify the key risks associated with construction work.
	2.2 Construction Health and Safety	2.2.1 Explain the role of the Construction Health and Safety Commission (CHSC).
3. Design Risk Management	3.1 Design Risk Management	3.1.1 Identify the key risks associated with design.
	3.2 Design Risk Management	3.2.1 Explain the role of the Design Risk Management (DRM) process.
4. Personal Safety and Health	4.1 Personal Safety and Health	4.1.1 Identify the key risks associated with personal safety and health.
	4.2 Personal Safety and Health	4.2.1 Explain the role of the Personal Safety and Health (PSH) process.



The curriculum for the RIBA’s mandatory test which is being developed over the coming months, will cover architects’ responsibilities as Duty holders under CDM 2015 and other legislation, as well as design risk management and personal safety and health when working away from the office.

Adrian Dobson, RIBA’s executive director of professional services, said “All UK -based chartered members will be required to undertake the mandatory test and life safety test. Existing members will have at least 12 months to study for the test and pass the test. All members will be allowed to retake the test, but a chartered member’s membership would be suspended until they have demonstrated competency. We have contributed to the RIBA consultation on the draft RIBA plan for fire safety which closes on 15 October”.

If you would like any further information on any matters discussed in this newsletter or any information about how CHPK can assist you in Construction Health and Safety Matters, please contact:

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