
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Control of Asbestos Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

PART 2

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Information, instruction and training

10.—(1) Every employer shall ensure that any employee employed by that employer is given adequate information, instruction and training where that employee—

- (a) is or is liable to be exposed to asbestos, or if that employee supervises such employees, so that those employees are aware of—
 - (i) the properties of asbestos and its effects on health, including its interaction with smoking;
 - (ii) the types of products or materials likely to contain asbestos;
 - (iii) the operations which could result in asbestos exposure and the importance of preventive controls to minimise exposure;
 - (iv) safe work practices, control measures, and protective equipment;
 - (v) the purpose, choice, limitations, proper use and maintenance of respiratory protective equipment;
 - (vi) emergency procedures;
 - (vii) hygiene requirements;
 - (viii) decontamination procedures;
 - (ix) waste handling procedures;
 - (x) medical examination requirements; and
 - (xi) the control limit and the need for air monitoring,

in order to safeguard themselves and other employees; and

- (b) carries out work in connection with the employer's duties under these Regulations, so that the employee can carry out that work effectively.

(2) The information, instruction and training required by paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) given at regular intervals;
- (b) adapted to take account of significant changes in the type of work carried out or methods of work used by the employer; and
- (c) provided in a manner appropriate to the nature and degree of exposure identified by the risk assessment, and so that the employees are aware of—
 - (i) the significant findings of the risk assessment; and
 - (ii) the results of any air monitoring carried out with an explanation of the findings.