



UKATA Asbestos Awareness Course

Course Code: UKATAASB1

Introduction

If you have no intention of removing asbestos but work on buildings built or refurbished before the year 2000, asbestos could be present. You will need awareness training so you know how to avoid the risks.

Asbestos awareness training should be given to employees whose work could foreseeably disturb the fabric of a building and expose them to asbestos or who supervise or influence the work.

In particular, it should be given to those workers in the refurbishment, maintenance and allied trades where it is foreseeable that ACMs may become exposed during their work.

Asbestos is an incredibly hazardous substance that causes serious ill-health to anyone who disturbs it. For this reason, anyone who is likely to disturb asbestos in their work must have an awareness of the correct health and safety procedures to follow.

Asbestos Awareness (Category A) training helps workers to understand the risks associated with the material so that they can avoid work that may disturb asbestos. This Asbestos Awareness course provides a comprehensive introduction to the dangers of working with asbestos and helps employers to comply with the law by ensuring that their workers are appropriately trained in order to work safely.

Note that any workers who plan to carry out work which will knowingly disturb asbestos require a higher level of training, (Category B or C) which is not supplied by this course. This course does not allow you or train you to work with any asbestos containing materials.

Developed by health and safety professionals experienced in working in the electrical & construction industry

Approximate duration: 3-4 hrs

Content



The following provides an overview on the content required for the learning outcomes to be realised:

- An outline of the properties, risks and its effects on health of asbestos exposure.
- A general knowledge of the types, uses and likely occurrence of asbestos and ACM's.
- How to avoid the risks from asbestos.
- An outline of legislation relating to asbestos.

Aim

The aim of this UKATA Asbestos Awareness course is to provide an awareness and development of knowledge to site based employees of the hazards and risks posed by asbestos containing materials (ACM's) within their everyday working environment and an overview of the legislative measures in place to safeguard themselves and others affected by work activities.

Participants

All workers who are likely to disturb asbestos containing materials during their normal work should be trained so that they can work safely. This Asbestos Awareness (Category A) course is suitable for anyone who may be exposed to asbestos as part of their work so that they understand the dangers and can avoid any work which may disturb asbestos. This includes, but is not limited to, professions such as:

Heating and ventilation engineers
Demolition workers
Carpenters, joiners and construction workers
Plumbers
Roofing contractors
Painters, decorators and plasterers
Fire and burglar alarm installers
Shop fitters
Gas fitters
Computer installers and telecommunications engineers
General maintenance staff
Cable layers and electricians



Certification

Candidates who successfully pass the course will receive a UKATA certificate

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