

May 2024

Welcome!

Hello and welcome to the May 2024 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

NEW Webinar Series

We have launched our brand new webinar series this May. The first episode took place on 22 May, with another episode at 11am UK time on 26 June 2024. This session will cover Sustainability in Health and Safety, and will be presented by RRC's Lead Environmental Tutor, John Binns. Future episodes will include Risk Profiling for Health and Safety, Managing Health and Safety across National and International Sites, Health and Safety: Culture and Climate, Fire Safety Legislation Changes, and much more. If you miss a webinar, a copy of the recording will be made available one month after the live date.

Upcoming Events

The SHE Show - South, Milton Keynes

We're adding another event to our calendar this year - The Safety, Health and Environment Show. This one-day event takes place on 9 July 2024 at the DoubleTree by Hilton, MK Dons Stadium and focuses on People, Behaviour, and Culture Change. There will be a variety of talks throughout the day and RRC are delighted to be attending. We will have a stand in the visitor section for those who would like to come and say hello.

Tickets can be purchased [here](#).

NEBOSH Graduation - 16 September, Warwick University

NEBOSH will be holding their Graduation Ceremony later this year. The ceremony celebrates the achievements of the successful Diplomates and incorporates an awards presentation for the Best Candidate in other qualifications. We're delighted that our hard-working learners will have the opportunity to celebrate their achievements. We're also excited to be joining them on the day to present one of the awards.



Safety, Health and Wellbeing Live - South, Farnborough International

SHW Live South takes place in Farnborough from 2-3 October 2024. The sister show to SHW Live Manchester, this event aims to bring together the HSE community in the south for 2 days of interesting and insightful talks, as well as an opportunity to reconnect and share with the HSE community. RRC are delighted to be returning as a Founding Partner. We will also be delivering a talk during the event.

Registration is free, and you can find out more [here](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

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

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 NG1, 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 NG1 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: not relevant to Units NG1, IG1, CN1, CI1, FSC1 or EMC1.)

- **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: not relevant to Units DN1, DI1, DN2, DI2, DN3 or DI3.)

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.

We also recommend reading **section 4.4 (Learner malpractice)** in the NEBOSH Malpractice Policy, available at <https://www.nebosh.org.uk/policies-and-procedures/malpractice-policy-and-procedures/>, to ensure you understand what constitutes unacceptable practice in relation to your examinations and assessments.





NEBOSH Resources

Note

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.





RRC Resources

RRC Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide

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

Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

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

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023](#)

The complete Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide (in which the change has already been made) can be accessed via the Resources or Quick Links sections on the Learning Centre.

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 changes below.

EU Regulation 517/2014 on Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (repealing Regulation EC 842/2006)

At the beginning of this entry, the following **Note** has been inserted:

“**NOTE:** this EU Regulation has been replaced by **EU Regulation 2024/573** (entry provided below) in the European Union. In the UK, however, this Regulation is still applicable. This entry will be updated or removed as and when the UK Government amends or revokes **EU Regulation 517/2014** following review of the requirements of **EU Regulation 2024/573.**”

EU Regulation 2024/573 on Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases, amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937 and repealing Regulation (EU) No. 517/2014

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

[EU Regulation 2024/573](#)

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

At the end of this entry, a new section has been added on Biodiversity Net Gain. You can access the amended entry here:

[Town and Country Planning Act 1990](#)

The complete Environmental Law and Case Law Guide (in which the changes have already been made) can be accessed via the Resources or Quick Links sections on the Learning Centre.





NEBOSH Diploma

NEBOSH National Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals (2020 Specification)

All Units

The **Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023** is summarised in the new entry for the Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide mentioned above. The 'Retained EU law dashboard' on the 'gov.uk' website lists all law that has been assimilated into UK law and includes the body of H&S Regulations, thereby making it clear that UK legislation derived from EU Directives on H&S continues to have effect.

Unit DN1

Please refer to the following for some updating information:

[Unit DN1 Update](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

Unit DN2

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

- The **Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) Regulations 2023** (Learning Outcome 10.1).
- Guidance from the Equality and Human Rights Commission on menopause in the workplace (Learning Outcome 10.1).
- The health surveillance cycle (Learning Outcome 10.3).
- Information sharing in mental health emergencies at work (Learning Outcome 10.3).
- The GB Mandatory Classification and Labelling List (Learning Outcome 10.5).
- An example of an asbestos management plan and an asbestos management plan template from the HSE (Learning Outcome 10.7).
- The HSE's Approved List of Biological Agents (Learning Outcome 10.10).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DN2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH National Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals (2015 Specification)

All Units

The **Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023** is summarised in the new entry for the Health and Safety Law and Case Law Guide mentioned above. The 'Retained EU law dashboard' on the 'gov.uk' website lists all law that has been assimilated into UK law and includes the body of H&S Regulations, thereby making it clear that UK legislation derived from EU Directives on H&S continues to have effect.

Unit A

Please refer to the following for some updating information:

[Unit A Update](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

Unit B

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

- The **Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) Regulations 2023** (Element B1).
- Guidance from the Equality and Human Rights Commission on menopause in the workplace (Element B1).
- The GB Mandatory Classification and Labelling List (Element B2).
- An example of an asbestos management plan and an asbestos management plan template from the HSE (Element B3).
- The health surveillance cycle (Element B4).
- Information sharing in mental health emergencies at work (Element B4).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit B Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH International Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals (2020 Specification)

Unit DI1

Please refer to the following for some updating information:

[Unit DI1 Update](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

Unit DI2

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

- The health surveillance cycle (Learning Outcome 9.3).
- The EU's list of biological agents (Learning Outcome 9.10).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit DI2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH International Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals (2015 Specification)

Unit IA

Please refer to the following for some updating information:

[Unit IA Update](#)

Note: this change has been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

Unit IB

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

- The health surveillance cycle (Element IB4).
- The EU's list of biological agents (Element IB5).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit IB Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH National Diploma in Environmental Management

Unit NDEM2 Element 3

Some text in this element has been updated in relation to Biodiversity Net Gain. You can access the amendment here:

[NED Update](#)

Note: this change has been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH International Diploma in Environmental Management

Unit IDEM2 Element 2

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

- **EU Regulation 2024/590** on substances that deplete the ozone layer.
- **EU Regulation 2024/573** on fluorinated greenhouse gases.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit IDEM2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH Certificate

NEBOSH National General Certificate

Unit NG1 Element 3

Further resources from the HSE on first-aid requirements:

- *First aid at work: Guidance on regulations*, available at:
<https://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/books/l74.htm>
- *Selecting a first-aid training provider: A guide for employers*, available at:
<https://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/geis3.htm>

Unit NG2 Element 10

Some text in this element has been amended in relation to portable fire-fighting equipment and the advantages and disadvantages of different types of fire extinguishers.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the changes:

[Unit NG2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH International General Certificate

Unit IG2 Element 10

Some text in this element has been amended in relation to portable fire-fighting equipment and the advantages and disadvantages of different types of fire extinguishers.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the changes:

[Unit IG2 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH National Construction Certificate

Unit CN1 Element 11

Some text in this element has been amended in relation to portable fire-fighting equipment and the advantages and limitations of different types of fire extinguishers.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the changes:

[Unit CN1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH International Construction Certificate

Unit CI1 Element 11

Some text in this element has been amended in relation to portable fire-fighting equipment and the advantages and limitations of different types of fire extinguishers.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the changes:

[Unit CI1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH Fire Certificate

Unit FSC1

We have updated the study material for this unit to include a new exam-type scenario, refreshed guidance on the open-book exam, practice questions on the scenario related to Elements 1 to 6, and additional text on internal fire growth.

Please refer to the following Supplement for this material:

[Unit FSC1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate

Unit EMC1

We have updated the study material for this unit to include new Exam Skills questions for Elements 1 to 9. Each question is based on a mini scenario and includes guidance on how to answer the tasks.

Please refer to the following Supplement for this material:

[Unit EMC1 Supplement](#)

Note: these changes have been made in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





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. Birmingham and Newcastle are no longer available.

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	12/06/2024	24/07/2024
	10/07/2024	21/08/2024
	14/08/2024	25/08/2024
NEBOSH National General Certificate (Scenario Based Assessment)		
Unit NG1	28/06/2024	07/08/2024
	26/07/2024	04/09/2024
	23/08/2024	02/10/2024
NEBOSH National/International General Certificate (Unit 2, 2018 Spec)		
Units: NG2, IG2	28/06/2024	14/08/2024
	26/07/2024	11/09/2024 (IG2 all languages)
	23/08/2024	09/10/2024
NEBOSH International General Certificate (Scenario Based Assessment)		
Unit IG1	28/06/2024	07/08/2024
	26/07/2024	04/09/2024 (IG1 all languages)
	23/08/2024	02/10/2024
NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety (Scenario Based Assessment)		
Unit FSC1	28/06/2024	07/08/2024
	27/09/2024	06/11/2024
NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety (Practical Assessment)		
Unit FSC2	28/06/2024	14/08/2024
	27/09/2024	13/11/2024
Health and Safety Management for Construction (UK/International)		
Units: CN1/CI1	23/08/2024	01-02/10/2024
	22/11/2024	07-08/01/2025





Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate (Scenario Based Assessment)		
Unit EMC1	26/07/2024	04/09/2024
	25/10/2024	04/12/2024
NEBOSH Environmental Management Certificate (Practical Assessment)		
Unit EMC2	26/07/2024	11/09/2024
	25/10/2024	11/12/2024
NEBOSH International Technical Certificate in Oil and Gas Operational Safety		
Unit IOG		11/09/2024*
	05/07/2024	11/12/2024*
	04/10/2024	(*UK locations subject to availability- contact exams@rrc.co.uk for details)
NEBOSH National/International Diploma in Environmental Management		
Unit ED1	06/12/2024	10/02/2025
NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety		
Unit A, Unit IA	06/12/2024	11/02/2025
Unit B, Unit IB	06/12/2024	12/02/2025
Unit C, Unit IC	06/12/2024	13/02/2025
NEBOSH Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals		
DN1, DI1	05/07/2024 (Resits: 02/08/2024)	11/09/2024 to 09/10/2024
	06/09/2024 (Resits: 04/10/2024)	13/11/2024 to 27/11/2024
DN3, DI3	03/05/2024 (Resits: 07/06/2024)	17/07/2024 to 31/07/2024
	01/11/2024 (Resits: 29/11/2024)	15/01/2025 to 29/01/2025
NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety/Environmental Management		
Unit DNI, Unit N/IDEM2	05/07/2024	28/08/2024