

MAY 2021

Welcome!

Welcome to our May newsletter, it's a really busy time at RRC with many new and revised courses in development and preparations underway for the restart of trade shows. We have been working hard to keep all of our learners up to date with the many changing NEBOSH syllabi and we have been a bit overrun with responses, so please bear with us. We will get back to you all as soon as possible and hopefully we will return to our normal response time in a few weeks.

NEBOSH New Syllabi

Following the new **NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety** and **Working with Wellbeing** courses announced in the last issue we now have 5 more new and revised syllabi, plus some more on the way.

New NEBOSH Construction Certificates

- **NEBOSH Health and Safety Management for Construction (UK)**

<https://www.rrc.co.uk/nebosh/nebosh-certificate/nebosh-health-and-safety-management-for-construction-uk.aspx>

- **NEBOSH Health and Safety Management for Construction (International)**

<https://www.rrc.co.uk/nebosh/nebosh-certificate/nebosh-health-and-safety-management-for-construction-international.aspx>

The new syllabi remove the link from N/IGC1 to provide a shorter, more targeted Construction Safety qualification. The assessment is reduced to one exam - a scenario based Open Book Exam.

The content from previous syllabus N/ICC1 is largely retained albeit restructured in some areas. Some sections from N/IG1 have been included in the new course but only those directly related to construction safety.

The learning hours have been reduced to 108 hours (10 days classroom), previously 160 hours (13 days). The reduction is mainly due to the removal of N/IG1.

The UK version is aligned to CDM, the International best practice and international standards.

There has been a significant change with the assessment with a reduction from 3 to 1 assessment. The aim of this assessment is to evaluate the practical application of the knowledge and understanding gained from studying the syllabus. The assessment is based on a scenario (a fictional construction site), is Open Book and is completed at home. It will take around 8 hours to complete and learners will have 48 hours to complete the assessment and return it to NEBOSH.

RRC courses are now available for these, a remarkable job by our Course Development team, given the limited time they had to do this.



New NEBOSH Diplomas

- NEBOSH National Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals
<https://www.rrc.co.uk/nebosh/nebosh-diploma/2021-nebosh-national-diploma.aspx>
- NEBOSH International Diploma for Occupational Health and Safety Management Professionals
<https://www.rrc.co.uk/nebosh/nebosh-diploma/2021-nebosh-international-diploma.aspx>

The new syllabi have 3 units each, with the removal of Unit DNI. The assessment is reduced to 3 assessments, an assignment and 2 case studies, all which can be completed at home or in the workplace, so no need to attend an exam centre.

There have been some significant changes in content but the most important is the removal of all content that was covered in the NEBOSH General Certificate. However, this content will still be examinable so it is important that learners have studied the General Certificate before starting on the new Diploma.

There is some new content but with the removal of the Certificate content, the notional learning hours are reduced to 335, plus a further 140 hours designated for the assessment. The structure of the new course is:

		Total Hours	Taught	Self Study	Assessment	Assessment Type
Unit N/ID1: (based on A/IA)	Know – workplace health and safety principles (UK)/ (International)	ND1 195 ID1 189	ND1 77 ID1 71	58	60	Assignment
Unit N/ID2: (based on IB)	Do – controlling workplace health issues (UK)/ (International)	145	60	45	40	Case Study
Unit N/ID3: (based on IC)	Do – controlling workplace safety issues (UK)/ (International)	135	54	41	40	Case Study
TOTAL		ND 475 ID 469	185	144	140	

The key areas of new content are:

- Unit N/ID1- Based on Units A/IA content, it has been restructured and has around 25% new content added. New/ updated content includes:
Role of Insurers, Leadership, Culture, Human Behaviour, Traditional versus Proactive Safety Management, High Reliability Organisation, Corporate Social Responsibility, Change Management, H&S in Supply Chain, Contribute to Legal Actions (ND only)
- Unit N/ID2- Based on Units B/IB content, it has been restructured and has around 15% new content added. New/ updated content includes:
Electricity / Use of Electrical Equipment, Construction Excavation & Demolition, Lone Working, Mental Health and Wellbeing, Health Surveillance, Health and Safety Monitoring
- Unit N/ ID3- Based on Unit C/IC content, it has been restructured and has around 10% new content added. New/ updated content includes:
Workplace Transport & Driving, Construction Excavation & Demolition

RRC courses will be available starting 1 June, but given the mammoth task in redeveloping the Diploma courses some methods of learning will not be available to early 2022.

New NEBOSH HSE Course

NEBOSH HSE Award in Managing Risks and Risk Assessment at Work

<https://www.rrc.co.uk/nebosh/nebosh-award/nebosh-hse-award-in-managing-risks-and-risk-assessment-at-work.aspx>

The syllabus for this new 1 day course has been developed by NEBOSH in collaboration with the health and safety regulator for Great Britain, the Health and Safety Executive (HSE).

It is an introductory level qualification designed to develop straightforward, practical health and safety risk management skills to enable learners to go beyond risk assessment and help effectively control the health and safety risks caused by hazards in the workplace. It is designed for all involved in managing workplace health and safety risks including those who undertake risk assessments, including employers, managers, supervisors, SHE champions, and union and health & safety representatives.

RRC courses will be available for the end of June.

Exhibitions/Trade Show

For obvious reasons these were postponed in 2020 and assuming no more unexpected COVID resurgence, we are looking forward to attending 2 events in the next 4 months.

This kicks off with the new Online [Safety & Health Expo Connect 2021](https://www.safety-health-expo.co.uk/en/connect-2021.html) which runs from 1-30 June 2021. The virtual platform allows you to see what the exhibitors have to offer and book meetings to discuss. The new format has given us the opportunity to bring together a truly international team with the RRC Virtual Booth being staffed by team members from RRC UK, Dubai, Georgia and Tunisia along with our partners covering Spain/ South America and Ghana, Nigeria and the Ivory coast. This will allow visitors to book meetings to discuss with us in English, French, Arabic, Spanish, Georgian and Russian. To register see <https://www.safety-health-expo.co.uk/en/connect-2021.html>

September sees the return of the first in-person event for over a year, [The Health & Safety Event](https://www.healthandsafetyevent.com) at the NEC in Birmingham, 7-9 September. RRC will be attending and more news will follow in the next issue. See here for more info <https://www.healthandsafetyevent.com>

RRC Blogs

John Binns and Dr Jim Phelpstead continue to add Blogs to help with your studies, the latest offerings include:

- Source-Pathway-Receptor from a pollution assessment and risk control perspective
- Brexit and NEBOSH courses
- Environmental Policy Principles

See <https://blog.rrc.co.uk> for more details.

Sharing Success

Our social media is seeing a lot of happy RRC Learners sharing their success, a great joy for us all at RRC. We really appreciate the hard work you all put into your studies and hope we provide the support to make your journey to success as easy as possible. Please continue to share your success and give us feedback. See here

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/1231668>



Classroom Courses

These have been a real challenge but we are hoping to restart our schedule in the last quarter of this year with a full schedule in place for 2022. Meanwhile our Live Online courses are a very popular substitute and we are adding more dates to meet demand.

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.

Don't worry – all the amendments noted here will be made to RRC digital and downloadable publications shortly.

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):

- **Guidance on Command Words – 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, NGC1 or IGC1.)

- **Guidance on Command Words – Diploma Qualifications**

This gives definitions of command words and example responses to typical exam questions.

- **Sample New-Look Question Papers**

These show the current format for paper-based, invigilated exams at Certificate level. They are no longer divided into sections but still contain one 20-mark question and ten 8-mark questions.

(Note: not relevant to Units NG1, IG1, NGC1 or IGC1.)

- **Open Book Examinations: Learner Guide**

This gives guidance on the new Open Book Examinations for Certificate Units NG1, IG1, NGC1 and IGC1.

(Note: not relevant to any other Certificate units.)

- **Open Book Examinations: Learner Feedback**

This uses the August 2020 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, IG1, NGC1 and IGC1.)

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 exams.





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 changes below.

Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures Regulation (The CLP Regulation) (EU Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008) As Applies to Great Britain

CLP has been replaced by **GB CLP**. The entry has been amended to reflect this- you can access it here:

[CLP Regulation](#)

Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021

This is a new entry, replacing the one on the 2016 Regulations. You can access it here:

[Health and Safety and Nuclear \(Fees\) Regulations 2021](#)

UK REACH

REACH has been replaced by **UK REACH**. The entry has been amended to reflect this- you can access it here:

[UK REACH](#)

The complete Health and Safety 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.

Any changes required to your study elements as a result of the legislation referred to above are covered in the section on your course below.

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.

Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures Regulation (The CLP Regulation) (EU Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008) As Applies to Great Britain

CLP has been replaced by **GB CLP**. The entry has been amended to reflect this- you can access it here:

[CLP Regulation](#)

Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007

This entry has been amended – you can access it here:

[Producer Responsibility Obligations \(Packaging Waste\) Regulations 2007](#)

UK REACH

REACH has been replaced by **UK REACH**. The entry has been amended to reflect this- you can access it here:

[UK REACH](#)

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.

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NEBOSH Diploma

NEBOSH National Diploma Unit A

Element A2

With effect from 1 June 2021, NEBOSH will no longer examine the following topics:

- European Directives and Regulations (in current section A2.1 under “Sources of law”).
- The role of the European Union – the whole content of former section A2.3.
- The European Court of Justice (its functions, jurisdiction and powers in current section A2.4).

These topics have been removed from the Element A2 study text and the Study Questions and Summary have been adjusted accordingly.

Element A3

The **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021** have replaced the **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2016**. The year has been updated in section 3.3 under “**Fee for Intervention**”.

NEBOSH National Diploma Unit B

These topics have been removed from the Element A2 study text and the Study Questions and Summary have been adjusted accordingly.

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

- NICE guidance note NG146 (replacing PH19) (Element B1).
- **GB CLP** replacing **EU CLP** (Element B2).
- **UK REACH** replacing **EU REACH** (Element B2).

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 National Diploma Unit C

Element C6

Some text in this element has been updated in relation to the standards for safety of machinery and the replacement of CE marking by UKCA marking.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit C Supplement](#)

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

NEBOSH International Diploma Unit IB

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

- NICE guidance note NG146 (replacing PH19) (Element IB1).
- The EU's **CLP Regulation** (Element IB2).

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 International Diploma Unit IC

Element IC6

Some text in this element has been updated in relation to the safety of machinery as required by the **European Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC**.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit IC Supplement](#)

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





NEBOSH National Diploma in Environmental Management

Units ED1 and NDEM2

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

- *Technical Guidance Note (Monitoring) M2* (Unit ED1 Element 8).
- The rules for energy labelling (Unit ED1 Element 12).
- Changes to landfill tax rates (Unit NDEM2 Element 3).
- National control strategies for energy use (Unit NDEM2 Element 3).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[NED Supplement](#)

Note: these changes will be made shortly in RRC digital and downloadable publications.

NEBOSH International Diploma in Environmental Management

Units ED1 and IDEM2

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

- *Technical Guidance Note (Monitoring) M2* (Unit ED1 Element 8).
- The rules for energy labelling (Unit ED1 Element 12).
- Changes to landfill tax rates (Unit IDEM2 Element 2).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[IED Supplement](#)

Note: these changes will be made shortly in RRC digital and downloadable publications.





NEBOSH Certificate

Open Book Examinations – Units NG1, IG1, NGC1 and IGC1

With effect from June 2021, NEBOSH will **no longer accept handwritten submissions** for the Open Book Examinations. You must therefore prepare your answers electronically and submit them via the NEBOSH online examination platform.

NEBOSH National General Certificate (2018 Specification)

Unit NG1 and NG2

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

- The **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021** (Unit NG1 Element 1).
- **GB CLP** replacing **EU CLP** (Unit NG2 Element 7).
- **UK REACH** replacing **EU REACH** (Unit NG2 Element 7).
- The UKCA mark replacing the CE mark (Unit NG2 Element 9).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit NG Supplement](#)

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





NEBOSH National General Certificate (2014 Specification)

Unit NGC1 Element 1

The Influence of the European Union

With effect from 1 June 2021, NEBOSH will no longer examine this topic so it has been removed from the study text.

Fee For Intervention (FFI)

The **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2016** have been replaced by the **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021** and the fee charged is now £160 per hour.

The study text has been updated accordingly.

Unit GC2 Element 7

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

- **GB CLP** replacing **EU CLP** in Great Britain.
- **UK REACH** replacing **EU REACH** in the UK.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[GC2 Supplement](#)

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

NEBOSH International General Certificate (2018 Specification)

Unit IG2

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

- The **EU CLP Regulation** no longer applying in the UK (Element 7).
- The UKCA mark replacing the CE mark in the UK (Element 9).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit IG2 Supplement](#)

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





NEBOSH International General Certificate (2014 Specification)

Unit GC2 Element 7

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

- **GB CLP** replacing **EU CLP** in Great Britain.
- **UK REACH** replacing **EU REACH** in the UK.

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[GC2 Supplement](#)

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

NEBOSH National Fire Certificate (2014 Specification) and NEBOSH National Construction Certificate (2014 Specification)

Unit NGC1 Element 1

The Influence of the European Union

With effect from 1 June 2021, NEBOSH will no longer examine this topic so it has been removed from the study text.

Fee for Intervention (FFI)

The **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2016** have been replaced by the **Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021** and the fee charged is now £160 per hour.

The study text has been updated accordingly.

NEBOSH Environmental Certificate

Unit EC1

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

- A minor syllabus change from 1 June 2021 (Element 1).
- ISO 14031:2021 (Element 2).
- Changes to UK landfill tax rates (Element 6).

Please refer to the following Supplement for the amendments:

[Unit EC1 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.

Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
NEBOSH Award in Health and Safety at Work/Process Industries and NEBOSH Certificate in Process Safety Management		
Units: HSW1, HSW2, HSEP1, PSM1	02/07/2021	08/09/2021
NEBOSH National General Certificate (Open-Book Exam)		
Units: NG1, NGC1	25/06/2021	04/08/2021
	27/08/2021	06/10/2021
NEBOSH National/International General Certificate (Unit 2, 2018 Spec)		
Units: NG2, IG2	30/07/2021	03/09/2021
	27/08/2021	13/10/2021
NEBOSH International General Certificate (Open-Book Exam)		
Units: IG1, IGC1	25/06/2021	04/08/2021
	27/08/2021	06/10/2021
NEBOSH Certificate in Fire Safety		
Unit FSC1	13/08/2021	22/09/2021
	05/11/2021	15/12/2021
Health and Safety Management for Construction (UK/International)		
Units: NC1/IC1	11/06/2021	22-23/07/2021
	10/09/2021	19-20/10/2021
NEBOSH National Certificate		
Units: GC2, FC1, NCC1, EC1, NHC1	02/07/2021	08/09/2021
NEBOSH International Certificate		
Units: GC2, IFC1, ICC1, IOG	02/07/2021	08/09/2021
NEBOSH National/International Diploma in Environmental Management		
Unit ED1	06/08/2021	11/10/2021



Course	RRC Exam Registration Closing Dates	Examination Date
NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety		
Unit A, Unit IA	06/08/2021	12/10/2021
Unit B, Unit IB	06/08/2021	13/10/2021
Unit C, Unit IC	06/08/2021	14/10/2021

NEBOSH Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety/Environmental Management	RRC Assignment Registration Closing Date	Assignment Submission Date
Unit DNI, Unit N/IDEM2	02/07/2021	25/08/2021

RRC Middle East

Please click the following link to access RRC Middle East to check course dates and fees for 2021.

www.rrc.co.ae

