

## Asbestos Awareness in Scaffolding Operations Course Specification

**Duration:** 1/2 day (or full day – see below)

**Attendees:** Operatives, Managers, Supervisors and Safety Advisers, who have are to undertake scaffolding work within or adjacent to areas where asbestos containing materials (acm) are present. The course is suitable for licensed asbestos contactors and contractors that undertake non licensed asbestos work.

**Objectives:** To give the attendees such knowledge as to enable them to understand how to work safely within areas where asbestos is present in accordance with statutory regulations, codes of practice, Asbestos Licensing Group and NASC guidance.

**Content:**

- How to avoid exposure when working near asbestos; types of asbestos fibres – characteristics, uses, identification methods; nature and levels of risk for different groups of ACM; types of products that may contain asbestos; likely locations; how fibres cause disease; types of asbestos related diseases and how they are related to exposure.
- How to recognise that exposure has occurred; how to deal with minor and gross contamination; decontamination procedures; what RPE and PPE to wear and when. (*Note: Licensed contractors will be required to demonstrate a practical decontamination exercise using a DCU. This may extend the course to one day duration*)
- Legal responsibilities of individuals, employer and management the role of the asbestos removal company and SLH; the information that should be shared between all parties
- Risk assessment and plan of work; introduction to what enclosures are for and how they are built; monitoring of site conditions; site set-up and emergency procedures.

**Certification:** Safety and Access Ltd certificate of training

**Note:** This course attracts CITB grant aid to those companies within scope

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