
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012

PART 2

General requirements

Plans of work

7.—(1) An employer must not undertake any work with asbestos without having prepared a suitable written plan of work detailing how that work is to be carried out.

(2) The employer shall keep a copy of the plan of work at those premises at which the work to which the plan relates is being carried out for such time as that work continues.

(3) In cases of final demolition or major refurbishment of premises, the plan of work must, so far as is reasonably practicable, specify that asbestos must be removed before any other major works begin, unless removal would cause a greater risk to employees than if the asbestos had been left in place.

(4) The plan of work must include in particular details of—

- (a) the nature and probable duration of the work;
- (b) the location of the place where the work is to be carried out;
- (c) the methods to be applied where the work involves the handling of asbestos or materials containing asbestos;
- (d) the characteristics of the equipment to be used for—
 - (i) protection and decontamination of those carrying out the work, and
 - (ii) protection of other persons on or near the worksite;
- (e) the measures which the employer intends to take in order to comply with the requirements of regulation 11; and
- (f) the measures which the employer intends to take in order to comply with the requirements of regulation 17.

(5) The employer must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the work to which the plan of work relates is carried out in accordance with that plan and any subsequent written changes to it.