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# What is Safety Reboot?



The CEF's Safety Reboot initiative is running throughout January 2024



The aim is to refocus on key areas of health and safety



Stop what you are doing, gather with colleagues in groups



Take 15 minutes to discuss the chosen topic using the following questions as a guide



Share your pictures on social media #safetyreboot2024

# Asbestos: Introduction

- Thousands of people die every year because they have inhaled asbestos many years previously.
- Be aware- asbestos breaks into microscopic fibres which can become embedded in your lungs
- Working with asbestos is a specialist area and must be carried out by competent person(s)



# Asbestos: Introduction

- Work, even sanding or minor drilling of certain types of asbestos must be carried out by a licensed contractor.
- Work on ANY asbestos must not take place unless a suitable risk assessment and method statement is prepared (plan of work).
- If you are at risk of asbestos exposure or encountering asbestos in the workplace, you **MUST** receive asbestos awareness training.



What are the main types of asbestos construction workers are likely to come across?



What is the main route of exposure?



How many people die each year as a result of asbestos exposure?



What are some of the health effects that asbestos can cause?





Can you see or  
smell asbestos  
fibres in the air?



If you suspect that any surface you are about to work with or drill/cut contains asbestos, what must you do?



In construction,  
past uses of  
asbestos include?



When was asbestos  
banned in the UK?



If you are a tradesperson and you are working in a building built before 2000, what must you ask for from the client before works begin?



If no asbestos register is available, what must you assume and do?



Whereabouts can you find information with regards to control of exposure to asbestos?



Who should  
remove and  
dispose of  
asbestos?





Thanks for  
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involved.

Remember to  
use what you  
have learned  
today



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