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October 2020

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COVID-19: Construction Sites Spot Checks & Findings

Chris Gregory & Aaron Fisher, Health and Safety Executive



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Introduction



A very warm welcome to everyone joining today's webinar.

Still no escape from Covid and rules related to *Hands-Face-Space* which continue to affect every individual and every business, not least construction.

Some businesses seem to think that dealing with Covid is simply a matter of having signs and notices, with compliance optional, a good indicator of the underlying management system, culture, leadership and management of risk.

How the HSE is going about Covid inspections and compliance in the Construction industry, we will hear about later from Chris Gregory & Aaron Fisher; left until the end to ensure you don't leave early.

Presentations will kick-off with a short 'Members' Corner' presentation – 'Gas Safety' by David Jenkins.

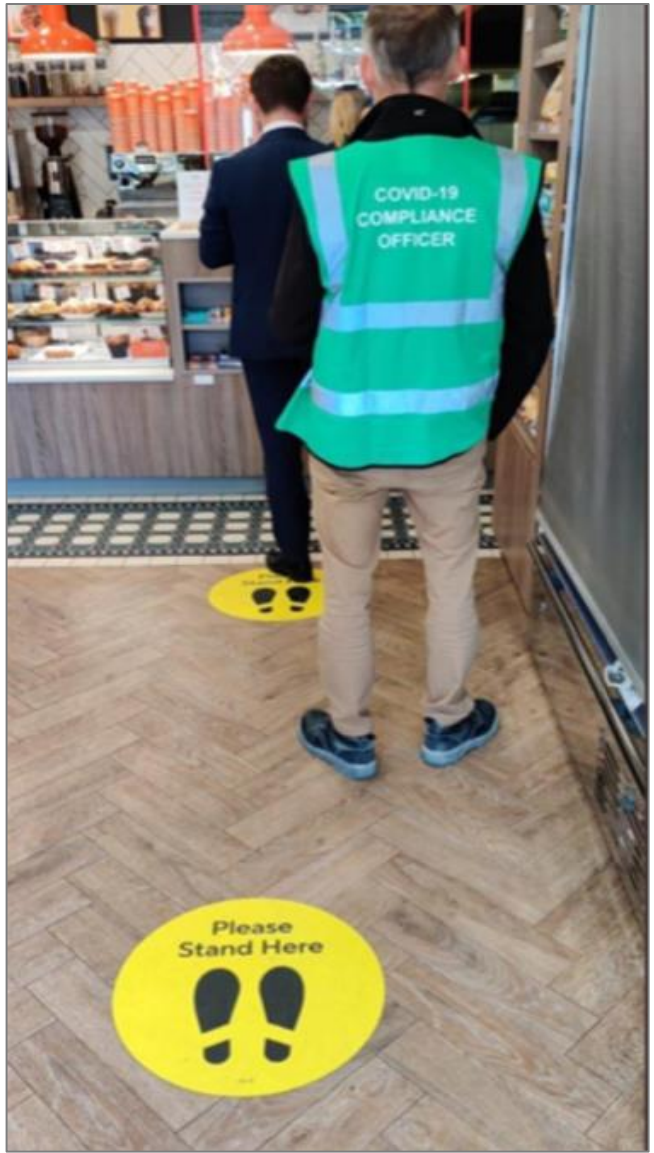
This will be followed by Sean Elson of Pinsent Masons (yet again) giving an eagerly awaited update on the draft 'Building Safety Bill', something that will have a major impact on many.

I hope you enjoy the event this afternoon - sorry no chips etc, and please come back next month when 'Environment Update and Refresher' is on the menu.

Finally, lest I forget and this being her last event, I would like to thank Karen Everett of the HSE for all her help and support to BHSEA over the last few years.



What is good or not good?





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Gas Safety

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David Jenkins, Redditch Council



Domestic Gas



David Jenkins – Bromsgrove & Redditch Council

Gas Engineers - Health & Safety

- Working at Height – Access Equipment – Safe Use of Ladders & Stepladders, Mobile Towers, MEWPS & Scaffolding
- COSHH
- PPE & 'Face Fit' Testing
- Asbestos – Gas Cupboards
- Driving for Work
- Manual Handling
- Lone Working and Violence & Aggression
- Sharps
- Slips, Trips & Falls
- Working with Contractors



15 People Injured in Salford Gas Explosion - November 2010



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Building Safety Reform

Sean Elson, Pinsent Masons



Agenda

- Overview of building safety reforms
- Development and delivery of new residential buildings
- Management and operation
- Managing building safety

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What does building safety mean?

- A post Grenfell response
- Don't think only in terms of fire – wider structural safety integrity as well
- Existing H&S and fire safety duties – CAR/Lifts/Electrical safety/IRRO remain unchanged
- Clear linkage with wider duties – in particular CDM 2015 and Management Regulations
- The safety of buildings has a real world consequence

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New Building Safety Regime

- Applies to Higher Risk Buildings – initially buildings with residential units and over 18 metres or more than 6 storeys (with some exceptions)
- A new regulatory framework for fire and structural safety overseen by the Health and Safety Executive which will drive culture change and new behaviours
- A clear model of risk ownership - clear responsibilities for Client, Designer, Contractor, Accountable Person and Building Safety Manager
- Outcomes based - not prescriptive rules and complex guidance

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Links to related information:

Construction Industry Council: Setting the bar

Grenfell Tower Inquiry Podcast

Pinsent Masons: Building Safety – Webinars etc

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COVID-19: Construction Sites Spot Checks & Findings



Chris Gregory & Aaron Fisher,
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Aims



- HSE Response
- Spot Inspections
- October health Campaign

Spot Inspections



Spot Inspections



- Track and Trace & positive cases
- Face Coverings – when should they be worn?



Health Campaign



- 5th-30th October
- Respiratory risks (Silica, wood dust)
- Expectations



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HSE 'Covid' Enforcement Notices

Total of 49 matching results found from 39069 total records, with 9 as listed below in construction

| Notice Number | Recipient's Name | Notice Type | Issue Date | Local Authority | Main Activity |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 310867615 | First Choice Groundworks & Civils Limited | Improvement Notice | 07/08/2020 | Bury | CIVIL ENGINEERING PROJECT NEC. |
| 310835585 | Berriman Roofing & Construction Ltd | Improvement Notice | 31/07/2020 | Swansea UA | ROOFING ACTIVITIES |
| 310836476 | Kenham Building Ltd | Improvement Notice | 16/07/2020 | City of Westminster | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310748098 | Blumariin Ltd | Improvement Notice | 18/06/2020 | | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310695483 | Diverse Contracts Ltd | Improvement Notice | 09/06/2020 | Glasgow UA | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310695583 | Diverse Contracts Ltd | Improvement Notice | 09/06/2020 | Glasgow UA | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310695592 | Diverse Contracts Ltd | Improvement Notice | 09/06/2020 | Glasgow UA | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310663128 | Cranberry Construction Limited | Improvement Notice | 21/05/2020 | Wigan | CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS |
| 310642109 | I-Build Cornwall Limited | Improvement Notice | 13/05/2020 | Cornwall UA | CONSTRUCTION DOMESTIC BLDGS |

To go to page and see details

https://resources.hse.gov.uk/notices/notices/notice_list.asp?ST=N&CO=%2C+AND&SN=P%2C+F&SF=GS%2C+%7C%2C+NSUM%2C+%7C&EO=%3D%2C+LIKE&SV=13%2C+%7C%2C+covid%2C+%7C

Notice 310835585 served against [Berriman Roofing & Construction Ltd](#) on 31/07/2020

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| Notice Type | Improvement Notice | | |
| Description | Berriman Roofing & Construction Ltd - 1xIN-HSAW-lack of welfare-prevent Covid 19 1/PN/31/07/20/1 - 310835585 "You are failing to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable, the health and safety of your employees at work because you have not implemented necessary measures to prevent the spread of COVID 19. This is because you have not where possible maintained social distance or introduced regular cleaning and provided access to suitable and sufficient welfare facilities." | | |
| Compliance Date | 24/08/2020 | Revised Compliance Date | |
| Result | Complied with | | |

[Breaches involved in this Notice](#)

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Covid

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[COVID updates and guidance](#)

HSE has published a range of coronavirus-related guidance and information, which you may find useful.

It includes:

- [Gas safety](#)

Guidance for landlords, gas engineers and clinically vulnerable (shielded) tenants

- [First aid](#)

First aid requirements in non-healthcare settings, as well as first aid cover and qualifications, during the pandemic

For all the latest information and advice [visit our coronavirus pages](#).

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Construction Inspections

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[Construction health inspection initiative underway](#)

HSE is carrying out its latest construction health initiative with health and safety inspectors targeting construction sites across Great Britain.

The initiative is now underway and runs until Friday 30 October.

The focus will be on protecting workers from [respiratory risks and occupational lung disease](#); looking at the measures businesses have in place to protect their workers' lungs from the likes of asbestos, silica and wood dust. This is part of HSE's longer term health and work strategy to improve health within the construction industry.

[COVID-security](#) is a critical health risk and will also be covered by the initiative.

For more information on the initiative, read [HSE's press release](#).



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RIDDOR Reporting of COVID-19

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/riddor/index.htm>

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This guidance is for the person reporting, usually the employer (known as the ‘responsible person’).

Members of the public and non-work-related cases

There is no requirement under RIDDOR (The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013) to report incidents of disease or deaths of members of the public, patients, care home residents or service users from COVID-19.

The reporting requirements relating to cases of, or deaths from, COVID-19 under RIDDOR apply only to occupational exposure, that is, as a result of a person’s work.

What to report

You should only make a report under RIDDOR when one of the following circumstances applies:

- an accident or incident at work has, or could have, led to the release or escape of coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2). This must be reported as [a dangerous occurrence](#)
- a person at work (a worker) has been diagnosed as having COVID-19 attributed to an occupational exposure to coronavirus. This must be reported as [a case of disease](#)
- a worker dies as a result of occupational exposure to coronavirus. This must be reported as [a work-related death due to exposure to a biological agent](#)

Go to HSE website for more



Manufacturing plant example

SWOT Analysis

1 page summary focusing on improvement

Noting *threats* and using *strengths* to turn *weaknesses* into *opportunities*

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Strengths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ The new company goals & objectives incl. 'Leader in HSE' □ Senior management support □ Specialist support at Group & site level. □ Very high level of compliance with PPE rules / requirements □ Published policies, arrangements, procedures & guidance. □ Generally good standards of machinery guarding. □ Some very good systems including managing contractors | <p style="text-align: center;">Weaknesses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Many easily identifiable issues incl. hazards & non-conformities □ Lack of questioning & challenging approach by many / most. □ Underdeveloped line management ownership. □ Variable housekeeping standards with many examples of 'poor' |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Publicity & promotion of zero accident goal & excellence. □ Development of robust plans with actions & owners. □ Training in safety leadership – actions & behaviours. □ Line manager / leader ownership, observation, asking why & active intervention to achieve compliance & raise standards. □ Photos / visual information & communication e.g. safe v unsafe; correct v incorrect; before v after, issues identified □ Improved sharing, learning & applying risk / safety controls. □ Improvements to risk assessment process / protocol. □ A robust & challenging approach to reviewing actions etc. | <p style="text-align: center;">Threats (apply to most plants)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Over reliance on systems. □ Complacency ("it hasn't happened before / yet"). □ Over wordy / lengthy systems / forms etc □ High severity - low frequency accidents including related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - machinery access -vehicles incl. fork lift trucks* <p>* - issues raised in report / photos</p> |



Everyone welcome

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9 November 2020 13.30 – 14.30
Webinar

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Environmental Law Update & Refresher
James Parker (Solicitor) & Claire Gregory (Legal Director)
Pinsent Masons

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Spills/Emergency Response
Andrew Fletcher, ESP Ltd

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- Stay safe
- Stay well
- Stay alert
- Stay with the guidance
- Stay in touch



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