

The Building Safety Group Newsletter

02/02/2010: Bristol Company fined for failing to protect staff, Course Updates, What you need

Hi everyone!

I hope January turned out to be a successful month in terms of work and securing new business. So apparently we're out of the recession with a growth of 0.1%!! Don't start buying the Aston Martin's yet - only 50% of industries experienced the growth and the effect of the snow is likely to have a significant impact to Q1 of 2010. Still, its nice to see things could be moving in the right direction again for the UK economy.

NEBOSH Update

Our first NEBOSH Full Block Release course began yesterday— unfortunately some of you missed the deadline for this course, however, we still have a one day a week course starting on the 24th February (exams in June).

All the best to the guys (sorry no gals this time!) from:

BAM Nuttall
 Black Horse Contractors
 Hydrock Contracting
 Brandwells Construction Ltd
 Beard (Swindon)
 Hills Property Ltd
 RJ Leighfield & Sons Ltd



External News: Bristol company has fined for Asbestos failure:

A Bristol construction company has been fined £18,000 + £6,679 in costs for failing to protect seven workers from exposure to asbestos. The construction staff at Frank Bruce and Co were exposed to the substance in February and March 2009.

External News: Company fined for lack of trained employees:

A Scottish company have been fined £3,600 for failing to ensure properly trained staff managed a Galashiels construction site.

The company admitted that during a house construction in 2008 it failed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of their employees by failing to provide adequate supervision of workers.

Untrained staff can cost you in many ways so make sure everyone is up-to-date before a project starts.

Next Courses:

Many of our courses in February are booked up, but we still have some places available on the following:

Emergency First Aid at Work	:	9th February
SMSTS Refresher	:	9th, 10th February
First Aid at Work	:	11th, 18th, 25th Feb
Health and Safety Awareness	:	23rd February
SMSTS Bristol	:	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March
SMSTS Refresher (In Southampton)	:	9th and 10th March
SMSTS (In Nottingham)	:	24th Feb, 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th March



What would you like to see from BSG?

With lots happening this year, please let us know if there's anything else you'd like from BSG?
i.e. New Services? More information? More courses? Advice on specific issues? Free incentives?

Be safe!