

Asbestosis Research Council guidance

Known published guidance from the asbestos industry for those involved in working with asbestos materials

Following the widespread emergence of mesothelioma knowledge in late 1965, the Asbestosis Research Council (ARC) began to publish guidance documents with regards to asbestos and asbestos containing materials. The ARC was initially set up in 1957 and its members included Cape, Turner and Newall and British Belting and Asbestos.

The following table is a list of guidance documents issued by ARC known to Pragma. Please contact us if you wish to discuss the contents of these documents.

Known publications by the Asbestosis Research Council and dates of any known revisions					
Type of Guidance and Title	Original Publication	First Revision	Second Revision	Third Revision	Fourth Revision
Code of Practice					
For Handling Asbestos Products Used in Thermal Insulation	12/1966				
For Handling, Working and Fixing of Asbestos and Asbestos Cement Products in the Building and Construction Industries	04/1967				
For Handling Consignments of Asbestos Fibre in British Ports	06/1968	08/1975	10/1976	10/1977	
For Handling and Disposal of Asbestos Waste Materials	09/1969	03/1973	04/1978		
Technical Note					
No. 1: The Measurement of Airborne Asbestos Dust by the Membrane Filter Method	06/1969	09/1971			
No. 2: Dust Sampling Procedures for use with the Asbestos Regulations	01/1971				
No. 3: Recommendations for the Sampling and Identification of Asbestos in Asbestos Products	07/1978				
Control and Safety Guides					
No. 1: Protective Equipment in the Asbestos Industry (Respiratory Equipment and Protective Clothing)	03/1970	02/1975	09/1975	01/1977	04/1978
No. 2: The Application of Sprayed Asbestos Coatings	03/1970	03/1972	12/1977 ¹		
No. 3: Stripping and Fitting of Asbestos-containing Insulation Materials	03/1970	03/1973	08/1977 ²		
No. 4: Asbestos Textile Products, CAF/Asbestos Beater Jointings and Asbestos Millboard	04/1970	12/1971	04/1977		
No. 5: Asbestos-based Materials for the Building and Shipbuilding Industries and Electrical and Engineering Insulation	03/1970	12/1970	03/1973	09/1975	03/1977
No. 6: Handling, Storage, Transportation and Discharging of Asbestos Fibre into Manufacturing Processes	Unknown	12/1971	10/1977		
No. 7: Control of Dust by Exhaust Ventilation	04/1970	04/1973			
No. 8: Asbestos Based Friction Materials and Asbestos Reinforced Resinous Materials	12/1970	03/1977			
No. 9: The Cleaning of Premises and Plant in Accordance with the Asbestos Regulations	02/1972	03/1975	01/1977	04/1978	

1. The December 1977 revision was changed to Encapsulation of Asbestos-containing Insulation Materials
2. The August 1977 revision removed the reference to "fitting"