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## CPD IS LIVE: TWO DAY MANDATORY CPD COURSES PRIOR TO RENEWAL OF SCAFFOLDING CARDS

**"HSE welcomes the introduction of this into the CISRS scheme... it will have a positive effect, particularly for those who may not have received any formal training for years."**  
**Ray Cooke, Head of Construction Sector Safety Unit, HSE**

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# NASC Issues updated Health and Safety Guidance

The NASC has recently published the following Health & Safety updated guidance titles.

SG2:17 Asbestos Licences and Ancillary Work involving the Scaffolding Contractor
SG8:17 Reporting of Accidents Procedures and RIDDOR
SG13:17 Health Surveillance in Scaffolding
SG15:17 Drugs and Alcohol at Work
SG19:17 A Guide to Formulating a Rescue Plan
SG21:17 Entry into Confined Spaces
SG22:17 Induction Training
SG30:17 Management of Road Haulage for the Scaffolding Contractor
SG32:17 Provision of Extended and Telescopic Transoms and Board Brackets
SG34:17 Guidance on Protection of the Public

NASC Health and Safety Committee chairman Adrian Rooney said: "NASC member representatives work tirelessly to develop and refine a comprehensive range of guidance to support the members in their day to day scaffolding contracting requirements. Iconic titles such as SG4 and TG20 are supplemented by a range of lesser known but no less worthy titles, all of which play an important part in raising



standards across the sector." Non-members wishing to purchase copies of these - and other - guidance titles may order them directly from the NASC website or alternatively by emailing: sales@nasc.org.uk

## CISRS NEWS

### CISRS CPD Courses Go Live 1st July 2017

CISRS Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses went live on July 1st - making it a mandatory requirement to attend a two-day course at an approved training provider prior to scaffolder or advanced scaffolder card renewal.

The introduction of the new CPD courses is designed to ensure that all card holding scaffolders and advanced scaffolders are kept up to date with the latest legislation and industry guidance, and maintain the highest possible standards of scaffolding safety.

Ray Cooke the head of the Health & Safety Executive's Construction Sector Safety Unit said: "HSE Inspectors come across scaffolders on site who are not up to date on current accepted practices with respect to safe erection and dismantling of scaffolding. This is an issue that is easily resolved through CPD, and the HSE welcomes the introduction of this into the CISRS scheme."

"After some initial scepticism 'it's a money-making venture' and 'I've been doing this 30 years' etc. the majority of the industry are now behind the introduction of the courses and recognise it's about raising standards. CISRS are confident it will only serve to strengthen safety and knowledge and help raise the reputation of the trade," added CISRS scheme manager Dave Mosley.

The majority of the course content will be the same for both scaffolders and advanced scaffolders - with the main difference being the scaffold structures used for the practical inspection sessions.

Course content includes:

- SG4:15 - Inclusive of SG19 and harness training.
- TG20:13 - Inclusive of masonry anchors.
- General scaffolding knowledge testing.
- RAMS.
- SG6 - Manual handling, inclusive of ropes and wheels and knots.
- MATS.
- Trends in accidents and reporting accidents.
- Impact wrenches.
- Vehicles.
- Communication - Inclusive of scaffolder responsibilities and behaviour.
- Edge protection and roof works.
- Drugs and alcohol.
- PPE - Responsibilities of employer.
- Incomplete scaffolds - Inclusive of signage and access.
- System scaffold awareness.
- Protection of the public.
- Health, Safety & Behavioural Test.

Mosley added: "We really feel that the introduction of CPD is right for the scheme and the industry... and we will be on hand to support the scaffolding community through these changes."



### CISRS NASC announces support for members as CPD approaches

The NASC has set aside an initial sum of £30,000 to assist members with CPD training - enabling those who qualify to make a payment of £125 each to 240 operatives working for NASC member companies, with a further £20,000 ring-fenced to assist a further 160.

NASC president Alan Lilley of Commercial Scaffolding in Hull said "The Confederation fully supports the introduction of the CISRS CPD requirement prior to card renewal. We see the benefits it will bring to the scheme, the individual card holder and their employers. We do realise however, that as with all training these benefits do not come without costs. As such NASC is looking to reinvest a substantial amount of money into NASC member companies who support their employees through this process and meet the costs of the CISRS CPD training."

CISRS scheme manager Dave Mosley added: "It's great to see the level of financial support NASC is willing to make available to assist its membership with a possible figure of £50,000 and I hope I can convince them to consider further funding in 2018."

Further information will be disseminated via participating CISRS Training Providers.



**CPD**

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