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8.8.1 Requirements.

The STR duty to manage asbestos is contained in regulation 4 of the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012. It requires the person who has the duty (ie the 'dutyholder') to:

- Take reasonable steps to find out if there are materials containing asbestos in non-domestic premises, and if so, its amount, where it is and what condition it is in.
- Presume materials contain asbestos unless there is strong evidence that they do not.
- Make, and keep up-to-date, a record of the location and condition of the asbestos-containing materials - or materials which are presumed to contain asbestos.
- Assess the risk of anyone being exposed to fibres from the materials identified.
- Prepare a plan that sets out in detail how the risks from these materials will be managed.
- Take the necessary steps to put the plan into action.
- Periodically review and monitor the plan and the arrangements to act on it so that the plan remains relevant and up-to-date.
- Provide information on the location and condition of the materials to anyone who
 is liable to work on or disturb them.

There is also a requirement on others (ie STR staff, volunteers and visiting contractors) to co-operate as far as is necessary to allow the STR to comply with the above requirements.

8.8.2 Arrangements.

All STR buildings & equipment in use have been subjected to a survey by a specialist organisation to determine the presence, and condition of asbestos, or asbestos containing materials (ACMs), and to recommend the actions required to safely manage any asbestos present.

Repeat surveys are carried out as required.

The DOM / Competent Person is responsible for the day to day management of asbestos or ACMs.

The asbestos survey reports and asbestos registers are held on the STR SharePoint system and are available to all STR staff & volunteers:

- They must be consulted prior to starting any works which could disturb asbestos or ACMs.
- Contractors must be informed of any asbestos or ACMs implicated in work they are undertaking in or on STR buildings or equipment.

No STR staff member or volunteer is permitted to undertake work which may disturb asbestos or ACMs without prior permission of the Chair of Trustees who must ensure a



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safe system of work is prepared and implemented and ensure that the services of a specialist licenced contractor are engaged to undertake the work where appropriate.

8.8.3 Applicable Legislation.

Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012.

8.8.4 References.

L143 Edition 2 2013 Managing and working with asbestos Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 Approved Code of Practice & Guidance.

HSG 264 Edition 2 2012 Asbestos – The Survey Guide.

8.8.5 Documentation.

Asbestos Survey Reports.

Asbestos Management Plan.

Asbestos Action Plan.

Asbestos Inspection Reports.