Policy and procedure for the control of asbestos

# Introduction

Asbestos is a hazardous material and inhaling it can lead to a series of respiratory diseases, including cancers of the chest and lungs. The Company aim is to prevent exposure to asbestos as much as possible to keep all individuals involved with the company healthy and safe. To achieve this, the Company has the following responsibilities:

* To ensure no asbestos is used or installed in any of the organisation’s future buildings, plant or equipment, or the materials used to produce them.
* To take all reasonable steps needed to locate materials that contain -or are likely to contain - asbestos.
* To treat every material as if it contains asbestos until evidence exists to prove it does not.
* To record the location of any materials containing asbestos in writing, keep this record up-to-date, and ensure it is brought to the attention of anyone who needs to know or is likely to work near these materials.
* To monitor the condition of these materials.

To assess the risk of exposure to asbestos from materials that definitely or are presumed to contain asbestos, and to create and implement a plan to manage these risks.

* To only allow work on asbestos or presumed asbestos - including its removal - to be undertaken by individuals trained and equipped to deal with asbestos.
* To only allow work on asbestos insulation, asbestos coating and insulating board - including sealing and removal - including its removal

-to be undertaken by contractors licensed by the HSE.

* To ensure that, in cases where asbestos is disturbed, any work in the affected area is stopped, the affected area is evacuated and sealed off, and advice is sought urgently.

# Responsibility

is responsible for the implementation of this policy Signed

Date

Date of Review