

## Revision questions for NGC1 element 1

These will presumably be the first set of revision questions that you attempt. To remind you that the questions are, as their name indicates, intended to help you revise the main points of each element. Having said that, many of the questions could also be found, little changed, in your Certificate examination.

### *Past examinations*

Actual past papers must form an integral part of your revision programme as you prepare for the examinations; your tutor will advise you about obtaining past papers and will then mark and comment upon your attempts at the questions - undertaken 'under examination conditions' if you please. The first 'actual' past examination you attempt could be the Sample examination which you will find in the Syllabus Guide - we have to hand a model answer for this Sample examination, prepared for us by a long time NEBOSH examiner.

### *Analysis of past questions*

Also remember to consult our analyses of the questions which have occurred in the NGC examinations over recent years. Patterns of questions emerge, similar questions recur examination after examination. It should be emphasised that, even though the syllabus changes, the great majority of questions from the last five or six years will still be relevant and could thus re-appear little changed in your examination. (The major exceptions here are pre-2005 questions on fire legislation - don't attempt these; also to be avoided are any 'bricks and mortar' construction questions - NEBOSH rarely asked such questions anyway. NEBOSH have often asked CDM questions, and will no doubt continue to do so.)

Generally, our element by element revision questions fall into 'syllabus content' order. Here they are for element NGC1/1 ...

*Question 1 How would you distinguish between hazard, risk and danger?*

*Question 2 There are various ways of classifying hazards; for example, NEBOSH have categorised hazards as being: physical, chemical, biological or psychological. For each of these four categories, give at least one example of a hazard which would manifest itself in the short term and one example with a long term effect.*

*Question 3 List and briefly describe five or six methods by which potential workplace hazards may be identified; we have given the first:*

- workplace inspections

*Question 4 Is it the wrongful act which determines the distinction between civil and criminal law?*

*Question 5 Compose a sentence using the four words 'guilt', 'vicarious', 'transferable' and 'liability'.*

*Question 6 Sort out this pile of bricks - make two separate piles, one for criminal law and one for civil law.*



*Question 7 Civil law is concerned with the rights of individuals and the duties of individuals towards each other; provide a brief description of civil law (try to include a mention of law of contract and law of tort).*

*Question 8 In the case of criminal law, certain types of wrongdoing are characterised as being offences against ... against whom or what?*

*Question 9 What makes up 'the body of law'?*

*Question 10 Complete these two sentences:*

- the requirement in criminal cases is that the defendant is found guilty ... ..
- in civil law it is enough that the defendant is found liable for the loss ... ..

*Question 11 Briefly describe the historical background to common law.*

*Question 12 At Diploma level you will need to know a dozen or so individual examples of case-law. Not so at Certificate level although you should appreciate the significance of the 1938 Wilsons and Clyde Coal v English case which clarified the four main elements an employer owes his employees under the duty of care; what are they?*

*Question 13 The boundaries of duty of care are not rigid, they extend not to the 'average' individual but to every individual - explain.*

*Question 14 To be successful in an action under the tort of negligence, the following three points have to be satisfied:*

- that the defendant owed the plaintiff a ... ..
- that the duty of care was breached ... ..
- that loss resulted from the breach ... ..

*You should also know the five requirements that have to be established for a successful action under the tort of breach of statutory duty - check your study material if necessary.*

*Question 15 Contributory negligence is sometimes regarded as a 'partial defence' - explain.*

*Question 16 HASAWA is an 'enabling' Act - what does this mean?*

*Question 17 Explain the function and legal status of an approved code of practice. Give a few examples of ACOPs.*

*Question 18 Explain the function and legal status of a guidance note.*

*Question 19 List the five key parties as defined in the CDM Regulations.*

*Question 20 Write a few sentences describing the health and safety plan and one describing the health and safety file.*

