



NEBOSH Certificate NGC1/1 Health and safety foundations

Revision questions

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 unit. Having said that, many of the questions could also be found, little changed, in your Certificate examination.

Generally, the questions are arranged in 'syllabus content' order.

Q1 How would you distinguish between hazard, risk and danger?

Q2 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.

Q3 List and briefly describe five or six methods by which potential workplace hazards may be identified; we have given the first:

- workplace inspections

Q4 Is it the wrongful act which determines the distinction between civil and criminal law?

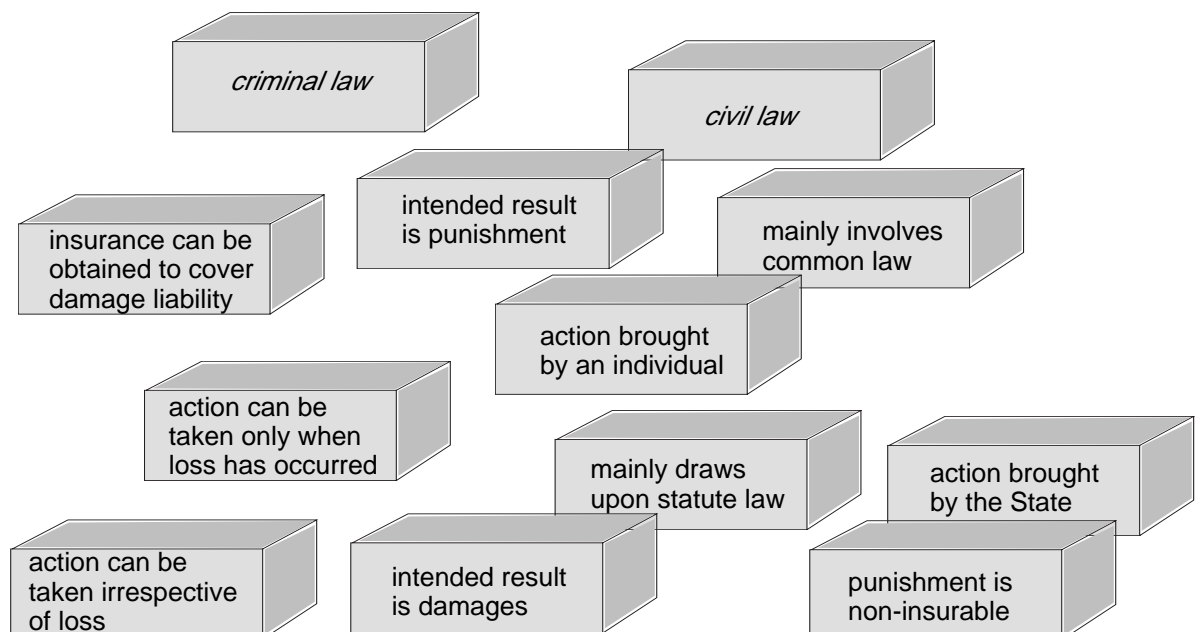
Q5 Compose a sentence using the four words 'guilt', 'vicarious', 'transferable' and 'liability'.

Q6 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).

Q7 In the case of criminal law, certain types of wrongdoing are characterised as being offences against ... against whom or what?

Q8 What makes up 'the body of law'?

Q9 Make two piles of bricks, one for criminal law and one for civil law.





Q10 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*

Q11 Briefly describe the historical background to common law.

Q12 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?

Q13 The boundaries of duty of care are not rigid, they extend not to the 'average' individual but to every individual - explain.

Q14 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.

Q15 Contributory negligence is sometimes regarded as a 'partial defence' - explain.

Q16 HASAWA is an 'enabling' Act - what does this mean?

Q17 Explain the function and legal status of an approved code of practice. Give a few examples of ACOPs.

Q18 Explain the function and legal status of a guidance note.

