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Decommission industrial and commercial heating and ventilating systems



Overview

This standard is for people who decommission industrial and commercial heating and ventilating systems.

The person performing this work must be able to comply with the correct procedures and practices for decommissioning industrial and commercial heating and systems. This work must be in accordance with the current versions of the appropriate industry standards and regulations; the specification; industry recognised working practices; the working environment and the natural environment. They must know and understand the operation, types, and application of the following systems:

Pipework

- hot water
- cold water
- chilled water
- compressed air
- steam

and/or

Ductwork

- supply, extract and re-circulation
- local exhaust ventilation
- low, medium and high pressure air
- kitchen extract

Please note that industry specific terminology is identified by *italic* text and its explanation and/or definition can be found in the glossary of this standard.

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Performance criteria

To perform this work in accordance with the current versions of *the appropriate industry standards and regulations, the specification, working practices, the working environment and the natural environment*

- You must be able to:
- P1 verify that the job information and documentation are current and relevant and that the **plant**, instruments, *access equipment* and tools to be used are fit for purpose
 - P2 produce a risk assessment and method statement in accordance with **organisational procedures** for the work to be carried out, including the identification and use of *personal protective equipment*
 - P3 confirm before work starts that the work location and work area can be accessed safely and has been checked for the risk to other personnel on the **site**, and take appropriate action if a risk is present
 - P4 comply with industry practices and **organisational procedures** to ensure the co-ordination of **site services** and the activities of other trades
 - P5 decommission the **system** and its associated **equipment, components and accessories** in accordance with:
 - P5.1 the **system's** design
 - P5.2 **organisational procedures**
 - P5.3 the **working environment**
 - P5.4 manufacturer instructions
 - P6 ensure that the **system** cannot be accidentally reactivated or become dangerous
 - P7 confirm with the **relevant people**:
 - P7.1 those necessary variations to the planned programme of work
 - P7.2 the actions to be taken to ensure that any variations to the planned programme of work will minimise the potential for hazard and risk
 - P8 implement **organisational procedures** for the safe transport and/or disposal of waste material, substances and liquids in accordance with suppliers' and manufacturers' instructions
 - P9 complete relevant documentation in accordance with **organisational procedures**

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Knowledge and understanding

To perform this work in accordance with the current versions of *the appropriate industry standards and regulations, the specification, working practices, the working environment and the natural environment*

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the operation, applications, advantages and limitations of different **systems** and their associated **equipment, components and accessories** in relation to:
 - K1.1 the **system's** design
 - K1.2 the **working environment**
- K2 the **appropriate industry standards and regulations** relevant to the decommissioning of industrial and commercial heating and ventilating **systems**
- K3 how to verify that job information and documentation is current and relevant and that the **plant**, instruments, *access equipment* and tools to be used are fit for purpose
- K4 how to produce a risk assessment and method statement for the work to be carried out, including the identification and use of *personal protective equipment*, in accordance with:
 - K4.1 the **system's** design
 - K4.2 the conditions of the **working environment**
 - K4.3 **organisational procedures**
 - K4.4 activities of other personnel and operations on **site**
- K5 the checks required to confirm that the **system** and its associated **equipment, components and accessories** have been decommissioned in accordance with:
 - K5.1 the **system's** design
 - K5.2 the conditions of the **working environment**
 - K5.3 manufacturer instructions
- K6 how to interpret diagrams and drawings of the **system** to locate **site services**
- K7 how to interpret diagrams and drawings of the **system** to identify the location of the **system's** associated **equipment, components and accessories**
- K8 the methods and techniques for decommissioning the **system** and its associated **equipment, components and accessories** in accordance with:
 - K8.1 the **system's** design
 - K8.2 the **working environment**
 - K8.3 manufacturer instructions

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- K8.4 **organisational procedures**
- K9 the methods and techniques to ensure the **system** cannot be accidentally reactivated or become dangerous
- K10 the **organisational procedures** for:
 - K10.1 confirming with **relevant people** those necessary variations to the planned programme of work that may have the potential to introduce a hazard and/or impact
 - K10.2 confirming with **relevant people** the correct actions to be taken to ensure that any variations to the planned programme of work will not introduce a hazard and have minimum impact on the decommissioning work to be undertaken
 - K10.3 obtaining *customer/client* acceptance of the decommissioned **system** and its associated **equipment, components and accessories**
 - K10.4 the completion of all relevant documentation
- K11 the methods for the safe transport and/or disposal of waste material, substances and liquids in accordance with supplier and manufacturer instructions

Additional information

Scope related to performance criteria and knowledge and understanding:

The contexts and circumstances below identify where and when the NOS could apply.

1 Working Environment (Internal and/or External)

- 1.1 commercial
- 1.2 industrial
- 1.3 agricultural/horticultural
- 1.4 leisure and entertainment
- 1.5 residential medical and care facilities
- 1.6 *public services establishments*
- 1.7 pre 1919 traditional/historic buildings

2 Site services

- 2.1 electricity
- 2.2 water
- 2.3 gas
- 2.4 oil

3 Systems

Industrial and commercial heating and ventilating ductwork

- 3.1 supply, extract and re-circulation
- 3.2 local exhaust ventilation
- 3.3 low, medium and high pressure air
- 3.4 kitchen extract

Industrial and commercial heating and ventilating pipework

- 3.5 hot water – open vented/indirect/secondary circulation/instantaneous
- 3.6 cold water – storage/none storage
- 3.7 chilled water systems – air conditioning, refrigeration, heat rejection
- 3.8 warm air
- 3.9 compressed air
- 3.10 fire protection
- 3.11 steam

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4 Equipment, components and accessories

- 4.1 air handling units
- 4.2 fans
- 4.3 dampers
- 4.4 access doors
- 4.5 terminal units
- 4.6 laboratory fume cupboards
- 4.7 storage cabinets
- 4.8 ventilation hoods
- 4.9 filters
- 4.10 humidifiers
- 4.11 metal and flexible ductwork
- 4.12 measuring instruments
- 4.13 fuel-fired boilers(gas; oil; solid fuel)
- 4.14 hot water storage vessels
- 4.15 water heaters
- 4.16 pumps
- 4.17 heat emitters and exchangers
- 4.18 burners
- 4.19 flues
- 4.20 cisterns
- 4.21 refrigeration plant
- 4.22 air conditioning plant
- 4.23 calorifiers
- 4.24 valves
- 4.25 compressors
- 4.26 receivers
- 4.27 filters
- 4.28 pressure vessels
- 4.29 sprinkler heads
- 4. 30 traps and strainers
- 4.31 measuring instruments
- 4.32 environmental technology equipment

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4.33 prefabricated modules

5 Site

5.1 new build construction

5.2 existing building

6 Plant

6.1 generators

6.2 transformers for low voltage hand-tools

6.3 lifting equipment

6.4 *access equipment*

7 Organisational procedures

7.1 information management

7.2 project management

7.3 risk assessment and management

7.4 implementing and monitoring health and safety requirements and issues

7.5 implementing and monitoring issues relating to the *natural environment*

7.6 customer service

7.7 accident reporting

7.8 emergencies

7.9 communication with relevant people

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**Range related to
performance criteria
and understanding:**

The contexts and circumstances below identify where and when the NOS must apply

1 Relevant people

- 1.1 *customers/clients*
- 1.2 client representatives
- 1.3 supervisors
- 1.4 site/contract manager
- 1.5 other contractors/trades
- 1.6 members of the public
- 1.7 work colleagues

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Glossary

Appropriate industry standards and regulations for:

- construction design and management
- controlling noise at work
- controlling asbestos in the work place
- controlling substances hazardous to health
- electricity at work
- managing health and safety at work
- manual handling operations
- personal protection at work
- provision and use of work equipment
- recycling and disposal of waste electrical and electronic equipment
- the quality of buildings and building work in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales
- working at heights
- workplace health and safety and welfare
- environmental protection
- heritage/historic building requirements
- brazing/jointing standards
- requirements for electrical installations
- carriage of Dangerous Goods (Classification, Packaging and Labelling) and use of transportable pressure receptacles

Specification

A verbal and/or documented instruction that is an explicit set of requirements for decommissioning identified systems, equipment or products, to be satisfied by materials, components, design, processes, procedures, data management and/or service(s).

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Clients and customers

- purchaser of installation services
- other trades and services at the work site
- colleagues within the same organisation
- architect
- contract manager
- main/sub-contractor
- consultant
- local authority representatives
- work colleagues

A public services establishment can be a:

- hospital/medical centre
- school/college/university
- museum/library
- prison
- military base
- car park
- place of worship

Natural environment

The climate, weather and natural resources that effect and are affected by human life and economic activity

Working practices

Methods, techniques and procedures that are adopted for carrying out specific tasks that ensures workers' exposure to hazardous situations is controlled in a safe manner when:

- working with equipment, tools and plant
- working with materials and substances (hazardous and non-hazardous)
- manual handling lifting
- using lifting equipment
- using personal protective equipment (PPE)

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Access equipment

- scaffold
- ladders
- steps
- staging
- trestles
- mobile elevated work platform (MEWP)

Personal protective equipment (PPE)

- safety helmets/hats
- hairnets
- gloves
- safety steel toe capped boots/shoes
- safety spectacles/goggles
- face shields/visors
- ear plugs/muffs
- conventional or disposable overalls, boiler suits, aprons, chemical suits
- respiratory protective equipment (RPE)

Pipework

- copper pipes
- low carbon steel pipes
- plastic pipes
- flanges
- joints
- fitting and fixing accessories

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Links to other NOS

SUMETS1 Plan, prepare and install Environmental Technology Systems
SUMETS7 Service and Maintain Environmental Technology Systems
SUMETS10 Inspect & Decommission Environmental Technology Systems
SUMETS11 Diagnose & Rectify Faults in Environmental Technology Systems

External Links

Links current at time of NOS approval:

- Health & Safety Executive Documents <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns>
- The quality of buildings and building work in England
<https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/providing-effective-building-regulations-so-that-new-and-altered-buildings-are-safe-accessible-and-efficient>
- The quality of buildings and building work in Wales
<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/planning/buildingregs/?lang=en>
- The quality of buildings and building work in Northern Ireland
<http://www.dfpni.gov.uk/building-regulations>
- The quality of buildings and building work in Scotland
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Built-Environment/Building/Building-standards>
- British Standard 7671: – Requirements for Electrical Installations
<http://www.theiet.org/resources/wiring-regulations/>
- Carriage of dangerous goods authorisations
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/carriage-of-dangerous-goods-authorisations>
- The requirements and information on microgeneration
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/microgeneration-strategy>
- BRA Jointing of Copper Pipework Guide
<http://www.feta.co.uk/associations/bra/downloads>
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment recycling (WEEE):
www.hse.gov.uk/waste/waste-electrical.htm
- Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH):
www.hse.gov.uk/coshh
- Construction (Design and Management) Regulations:
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/construction/cdm.htm>

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