

Legislation Which Covers the Maintenance of Acoustic Walls



Health & Safety at Work Act 1974

Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992

Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998

Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999

By law, companies must at least:

Provide general duty of care to all employees and visitors. *Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Regs 2, 3, 4, 7.*

Encourage positive health and safety culture by way of ensuring maintenance is carried out. *Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Reg 5, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs – Reg 4.*

Maintain equipment in good working order (anything mechanical or with mechanisms if unmaintained would make them defective and cause hazard/risk e.g. lubrication, bearings and seals). *Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Reg 6, Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Reg 5 (2), Reg 18, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999 – Reg 5.*

Repairs, modifications, maintenance or servicing to be carried out by authorised contractor. *Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Reg 6, Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Reg 5, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998 – Reg 5, 7, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999 – Reg 4 – preventative & protection.*

Ensure all employees receive adequate and appropriate training, including written instruction pertaining to the use of work equipment. *Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Section 2 (2)(c), Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Reg 5, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998 – Reg 7, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999 – Regs 4, 11.*

Provide frequency of inspection and testing and who will provide maintenance (frequency of maintenance, inspection and testing depends on manufacturer's recommendations and the age and condition of the equipment, most typically 12-month intervals). *Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Regs 5, 6, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998 – Regs 6 & 7, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999 – Reg 7 & 21.*

Records of maintenance kept and up to date; required to validate safe systems.

Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Reg 5 & 18, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998 – Reg 5.

Inspection to identify whether equipment can be operated, adjusted and maintained safely and that any deterioration (defect, damage, wear) can be detected and remedied before it results in unacceptable risk.

Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 – Reg 6, Workplace (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regs 1992 – Reg 18, Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regs 1998 – Reg 5, 6 & 7, Management of Health & Safety at Work Regs 1999 – Reg 3 & 7.

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