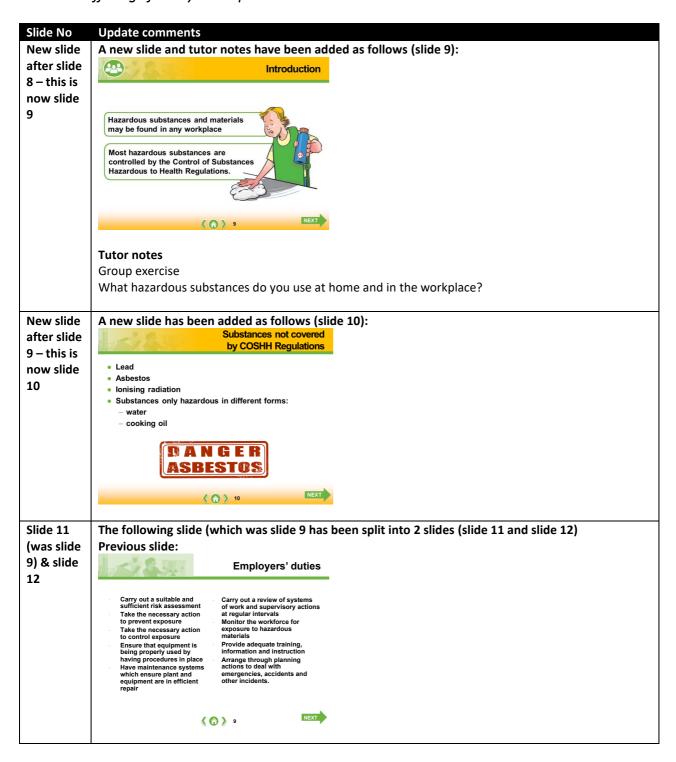
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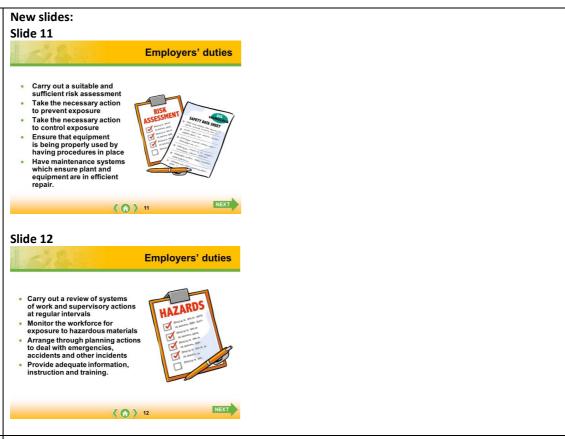
6th Ed. April 2018

Date of update: May 2018

The following updates have been made to the 6<sup>th</sup> Ed. of this training presentation.

Please note new slides have been added throughout the presentation therefore the numbering of slides will differ significantly to the previous version.





Previously slide 10 now slide 13 & slide 14 The following slide (which was slide 10 has been split into 2 slides (slide 13 and slide 14) Previous slide:



**New Slides:** 

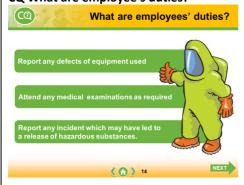
Slide 13 - the title of the slide has been changed to: CQ What are employee's duties?

A new bullet point has been added:

• Use welfare facilities provided



# Slide 14 – the title of the slide has been changed to: CQ What are employee's duties?



#### Slide 17 The tutor notes for the following slide has been updated:



## Tutor notes have been updated to:

If a contravention of legislation is discovered during an inspection (i.e. the organisation is breaking the law) the inspector will, most commonly, give advice, usually in writing.

Fast food chain McDonalds were fined more than £20,000 by Wandsworth Council following an incident which left one of its employees partially blinded by an acid-based cleaner.

The company was fined by the council under safety at work laws and according to Wandsworth Council, this was the first successful prosecution against McDonalds in the UK resulting from an accident in the workplace.

The incident took place at the McDonalds restaurant on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2008 while an employee attempted to unblock a waste pipe. The staff member suffered severe burns to his face and eyes and has been left with around 55% vision in his left eye.

The court heard how the worker had attempted to unblock a drain after staff at the restaurant had noticed that a washing machine was not working. In order to remove the blockage, the restaurant bought a corrosive chemical drain cleaner. When the first attempt at using this sulphuric acid based cleaner failed to dislodge the blockage, the employee was given money by a manager to buy another bottle.

When the worker poured more of the chemical into the drain, the contents blew back into his face and into his eyes. He was given first aid before being taken to hospital by ambulance.

He sustained burns which following treatment, have left him with around 97% vision in his right eye and only about 55% in his left eye.

Source <a href="https://ethossolution.wordpress.com/2011/01/12/mcdonalds-worker-left-partially-blind-following-acid-eye-injury/">https://ethossolution.wordpress.com/2011/01/12/mcdonalds-worker-left-partially-blind-following-acid-eye-injury/</a>

However, in more serious cases it may be necessary to take one of the following actions:

Serve an **improvement notice** on the employer/person. This notice gives a time limit in which corrective action must be taken. (On an improvement notice this is not less than 21 days). Improvement notices may be appealed and while the appeal is waiting to be heard a suspension is

Serve a **prohibition notice** on the employer/person. This notice is served when there is a serious risk of personal injury. It may require work to cease immediately.

An appeal can be made against a prohibition notice. However, the notice will remain in force.

Prohibition notices can only be lifted by the enforcing officer.

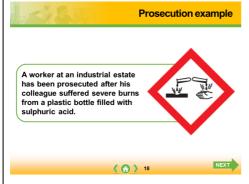
Commence criminal proceedings against the employers, directors, managers, etc.

This is only likely if there is a serious health and safety problem or if notices have been ignored.

Penalties can be severe upon prosecution, resulting in up to two years' imprisonment and/or an unlimited fine.

#### Slide 18 A new slide and tutor notes has been added as follows:

placed on the notice.



## **Tutor notes:**

Mark Mellard, 46, has since had two skin grafts to his left thigh, after the highly-corrosive liquid burned through a bottle he had picked up on his way out of the DHL Debenhams warehouse at Sherburn Industrial Estate.

York and <u>Selby</u> Magistrates' Court heard John Campey had decanted the heavy-duty drain cleaner from its container into an empty plastic Irn Bru bottle and left it next to a sink on June 20 last year. The court heard Mr Mellard had the bottle in his pocket when he felt it burning. He removed it and threw it away, and rushed to the toilets where he put cold water on his leg which stopped hurting as his nerve endings were damaged

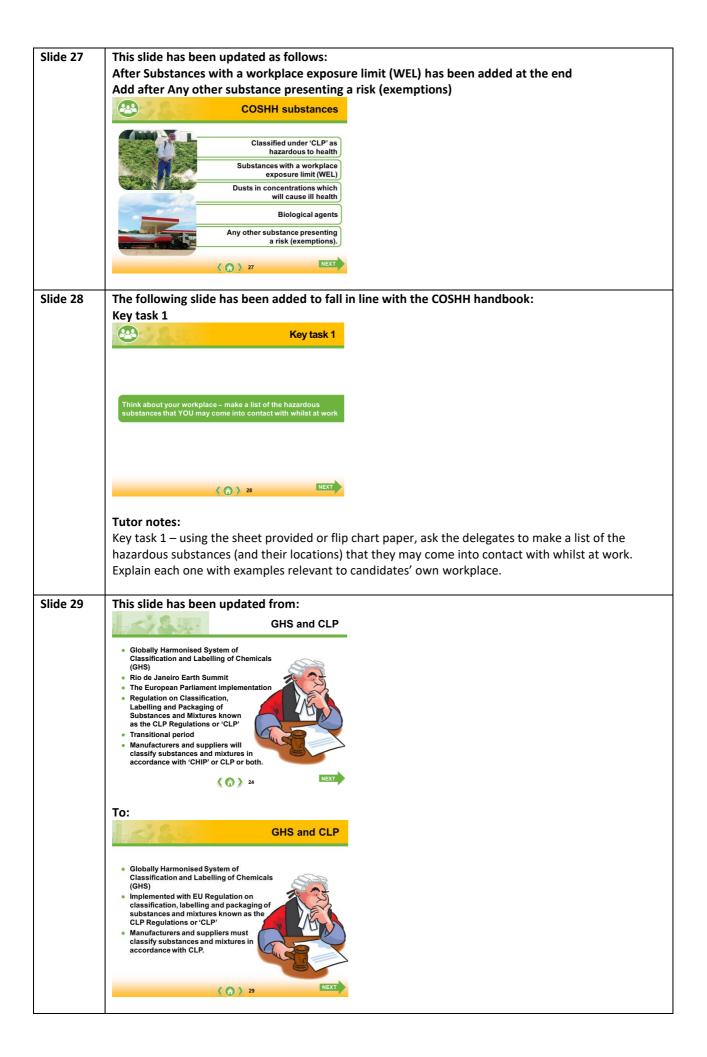
#### Slide 26 The following bullet points have been added to this slide:

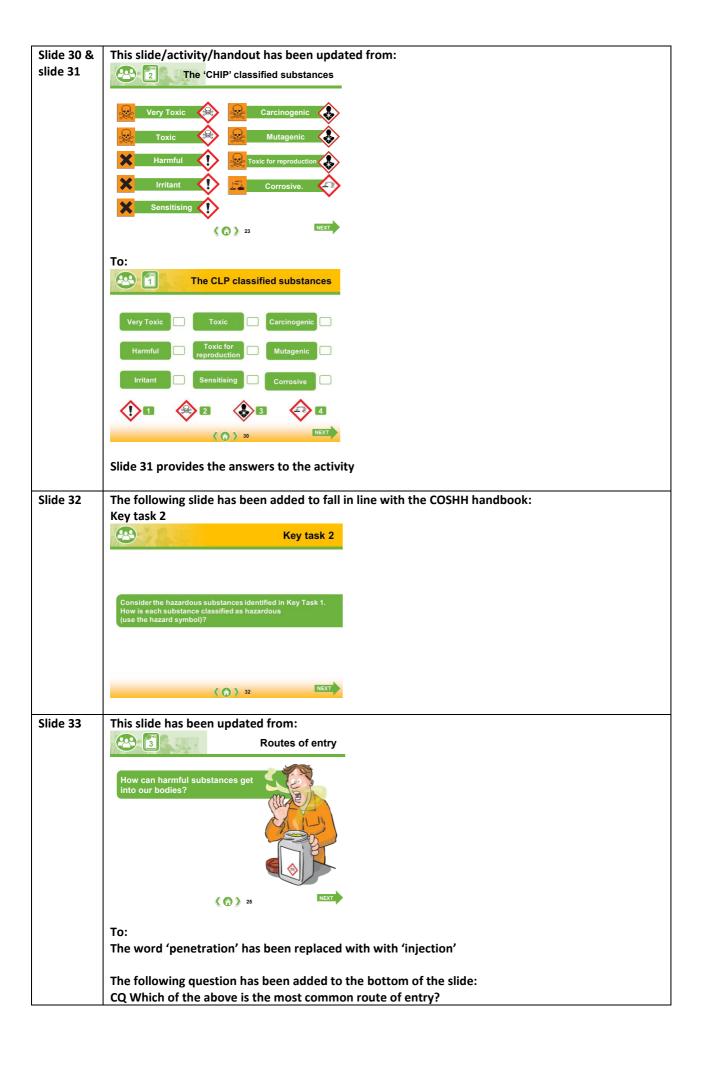
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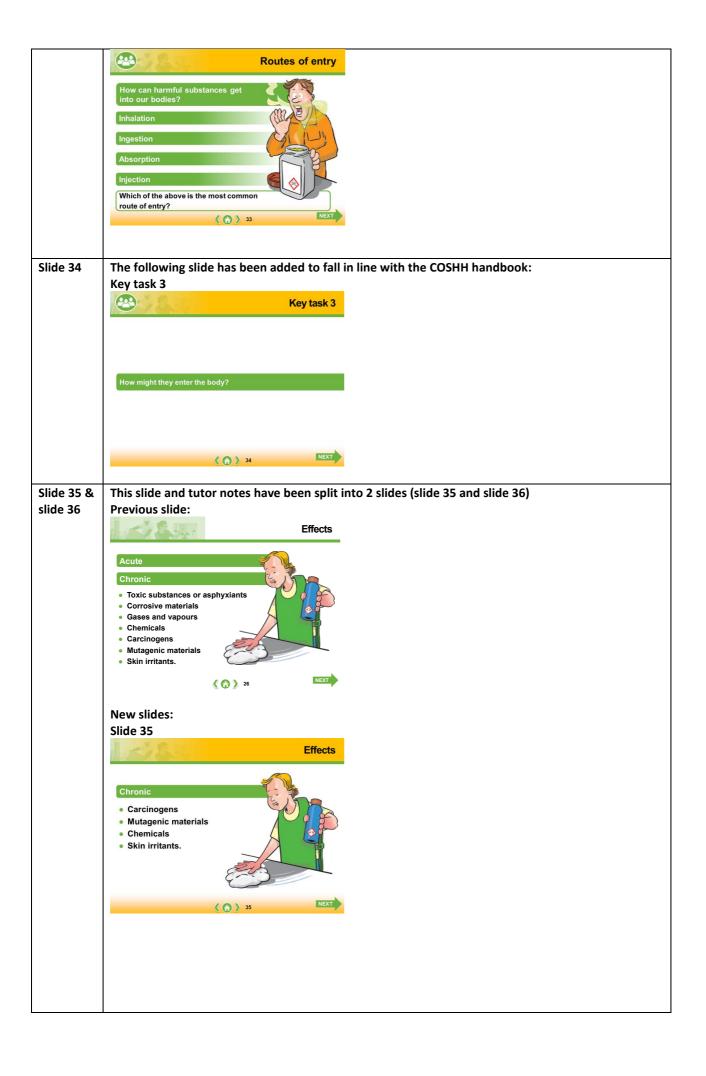
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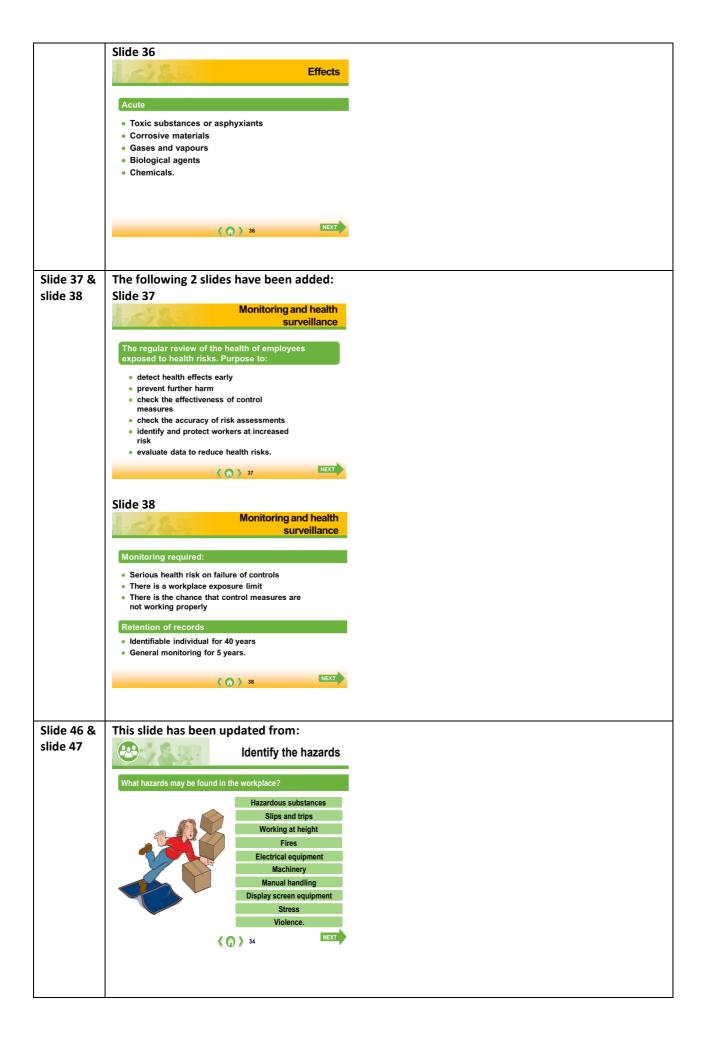
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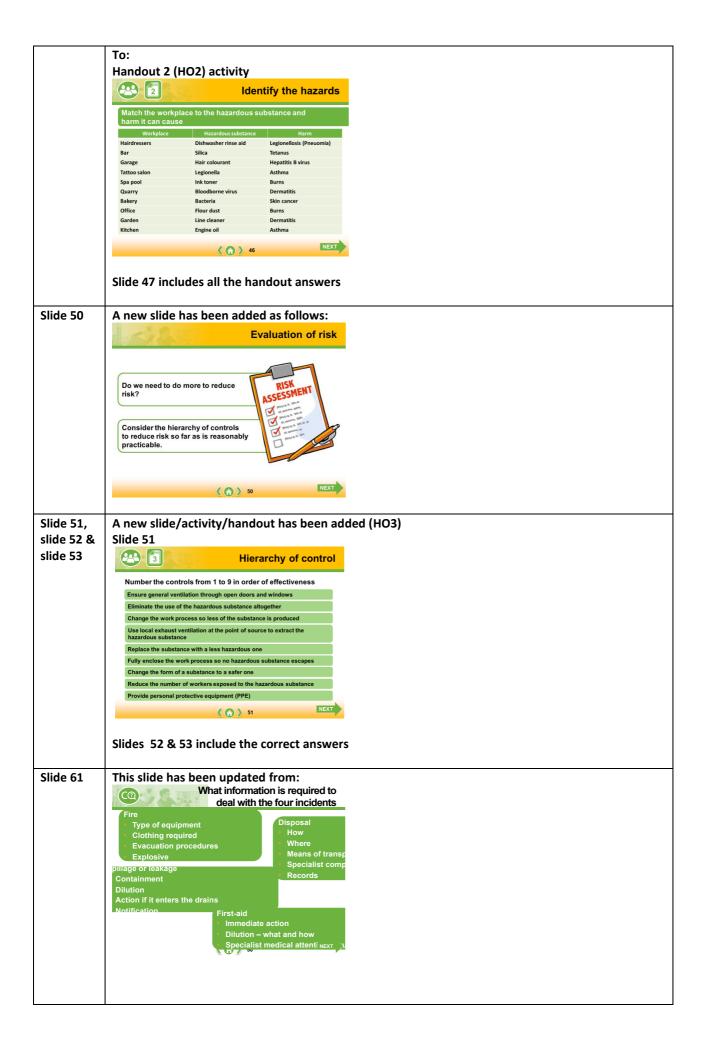


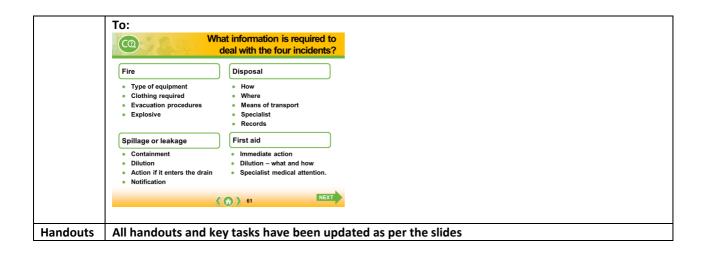












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