



Plymouth Construction Training
Group

QUALIFICATION EXTENSION BRIEFING SHEET

SITE SAFETY + (CITB)

All site safety plus courses have been suspended by CITB until further notice

- Any certificates which expire after 15th March 2020 and haven't been able to be renewed in time due to COVID 19, will be allowed to take the refresher not the full courses (SMSTS & SSSTS). This will continue whilst the current situation exists and will be reviewed regularly

FIRST AID (all awarding bodies)

- The HSE & DoE have issued a statement which extends the validity of various qualifications by **3 MONTHS**
- Including **EMERGENCY 1ST AID & FAAW**
- This allows and requalification to be postponed until later in the year

UKATA

Asbestos regulations require competence & describe training as the way towards that.

- If a worker is competent – they can work
- If what is required is an updating course that has been identified through
 - TNA/Training plan
- Acceptable evidence is a reasonable approach to show its going ahead in a reasonable timeframe
 - Booking/letter/invoice/letter of comfort
- If a worker has shown bad practice or has never been training that shouldn't be working around asbestos
- Training can be delivered via video learning

CSCS

- CSCS have extended the grace period for card renewal from **6 months to 12 months**
- This means the card can be renewed after the H&S test has been taken and passed up to one year after the expiry date



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IPAF

EXPIRING PAL CARDS

- Workers who's PAL cars expire in March 2020 who can provide evidence that they have completed their IPAF operator eLearning theory can continue to work for a **period of 90 days** from successful completion of the eLearning
- Evidence is the receipt provided to all eLearning successful candidates which can be printed off in PDF form
- The 90 days will be reviewed as the situation develops
- Currently the best option for both new and renewals is the theory section of the training eLearning

IOSH

- Currently no validity (qualification expire) but they are looking at a video learning module

NVQ

- NVQ'S can still be registered
- Remote work and prep can still be done – gathering and submitting evidence and knowledge
- Awarding bodies can carry out remote assessments for observations if required

H&S TESTING CITB

- All testing centres have been closed until further notice
- CITB has developed a **FREE APP** so employers can run their own **in-house interim testing**
- The app is designed to give employers a **level of local assurance** helping them determine if an employee is safe to work on site
- The app will be available from app store – the PC version is available from the CITB website
- The app will give employers breathing space whilst the testing centres are closed