



Press Release

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Bauer Technologies Backs Complimentary Asbestos Awareness Training

Asbestos Association UKATA offering free training to trade association to save lives again in 2017

The annual Train Safe, Work Safe, Keep Safe campaign from the UK Asbestos Training Association (UKATA) is being supported by the Bauer Technologies Ltd. UKATA members are offering free training as part of the campaign designed to keep both small businesses and sole traders safe from the UK's biggest workplace killer – asbestos. Now in its third year, the nationwide campaign runs from 1 September to 31 October, with free asbestos awareness training for those who need it most.

As supporters of the campaign, Bauer Technologies Ltd intend to spread the news of the free asbestos awareness training with its clients and inform as many people as possible of training they may be unable to afford or not even realise exists. UKATA members pledged over 3,500 hours of training in 2015 and 2016, with even more complimentary training available this year.

"I would like to thank Bauer Technologies Ltd for backing the 2017 UKATA Train Safe, Work Safe, Keep Safe campaign," said Craig Evans, General Manager of UKATA. "In the last few years UKATA members have delivered 400,000 asbestos training courses but there remains a real need for essential training for all who may encounter the substance. Thousands of tradespeople have received no asbestos training and Bauer Technologies Ltd is playing a key role in helping UKATA reach the geotechnical sector in new ways and, by so doing, encourage greater participation."

Training will be on offer throughout the country (including Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland). To check availability on a course and to book a free place, interested parties should contact the

UKATA Member directly using the details at <http://www.ukata.org.uk/train-safe-work-safe-keep-safe/>, and remembering to quote the UKATA Train Safe, Work Safe, Keep Safe campaign.

Speaking about the campaign, Martin Blower, MD of Bauer Technologies, said "We are proud to support the UKATA Train Safe, Work Safe, Keep Safe campaign". As one of the leading independent foundations contractors in the UK, Bauer Technologies has always recognised the importance of training and protection from the risks posed by asbestos is another way we can ensure our name is one our clients' can trust."

Around 20 tradesmen die every week as a result of past exposure to asbestos. Damage caused to the lungs by asbestos can lay dormant for up to 60 years, with diseases like mesothelioma responsible for the death toll amongst small traders that includes eight joiners, six electricians and four plumbers.

UKATA exists to set and verify standards and to emphasise the importance of best practice in training when it comes to the safe handling, removal and disposal of asbestos. Tasked by the HSE in 2008 for taking-on, managing and developing the list of training providers for licensed asbestos work in the UK, UKATA is now the leading authority in all levels of asbestos training in the UK. Free training is to be carried out on selected dates in September and October 2017. A full list of Training Providers can be found by visiting: <http://www.ukata.org.uk/training-provider-directory/>

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Sources:

Asbestos the biggest cause of work related deaths in the UK:

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/statistics/causdis/cancer/cancer.pdf>

<http://www.envirochem.co.uk/news/asbestos---the-uks-biggest-cause-of-work.html>

5,000 people die of asbestos related illnesses each year:

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/asbestos/dangerous.htm>

Those employed in manufacturing above the national average:

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+/http://www.culture.gov.uk/cap/proposals/Chesterfield.pdf#search=%22chesterfield%20industrial%20decline%22>

Around 20 tradesmen still die every week in the UK as a result of past exposure to asbestos fibres (<http://www.hse.gov.uk/asbestos/dangerous.htm>)

Weekly death toll amongst small traders from asbestos includes eight joiners, six electricians and four plumbers. (<http://www.hse.gov.uk/construction/healthrisks/cancer-and-construction/asbestos.htm>)

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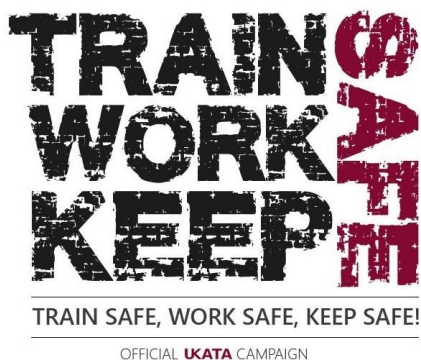
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Bauer Technologies Ltd is the 100% owned UK subsidiary of Bauer Spezialtiefbau GmbH, the contracting company within the BAUER Group. Bauer is known the world over as a leader in advanced deep foundation techniques. Whether it is the manufacture of specialised equipment, giving specific advice or performing the site works, Bauer is highly regarded world-wide by both consultants and contractors as the perfect partner in deep foundation projects.

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