Welcome to the second edition of the School’s safety bulletin. Further information on these and other topics is available in the Schools Safety Handbooks or by contacting the School Safety Adviser.

SAFETY INDUCTIONS

- All new staff and postgraduates must undertake a basic safety induction and individual line managers and supervisors are responsible for ensuring that this happens.
- A more specific safety induction is required prior to commencing laboratory work. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring that persons in their charge receive adequate training.

SCHOOL SAFETY PAGES

- Since the recent changes to the School’s main website the safety pages have disappeared. Until they can be restored, limited information will be available to those who can access the School’s intranet at the location at the bottom of this page. It should be noted that the intranet safety information is not available to students nor is it currently updateable.

RISK ASSESSMENT TEMPLATES

- It has become clear that the current Risk Assessment template is no longer fit for purpose. Recently some have been using a template supplied by the HSE and following advice from the University Safety Adviser and at the School’s Safety Committee meeting in March it was decided to adopt this new format. The new form should be used from now and as these cannot be put onto the web pages a copy has been included with this newsletter.

AN ACCIDENT AVERTED

- In February an undergraduate student was filtering a chemical mixture through a syringe filter by hand when the filter came off and the sample splashed over the student. The student was wearing a lab coat, safety glasses and gloves and as a result of being properly attired suffered no injuries. This is an excellent example of a well managed safety regime.

Useful Information

School Safety Adviser (Eddie Stephen) 2500
School Lead Laser Protection Supervisor (Dr Thevar) 2776
Security (24 hour) 01224 27 3939
University safety pages www.abdn.ac.uk/safety/
Schools safety pages

http://sp.abdn.ac.uk/cops/schools/engineering/engspace/Administration/Forms/AllItems.aspx