

Health & Safety Policy

Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmosphere Regulations – DSEAR

The University is required to ensure that suitable and sufficient controls are in place to manage the DSEAR Regulations placed on the University.

“The Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR) require employers to control the risks to safety from fire, explosions and substances corrosive to metals.”

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/fireandexplosion/dsear.htm>

DSEAR is a set of regulations that are stand-alone and require specialist assessments carried out on identified areas within University premises or other premises used by the University. This requires identified staff to be trained and appointed by the Dean or Director.

The trained individuals require to:

- carry out suitable and sufficient assessments
- ensure that the necessary controls are implemented and used
- disseminate the relevant information to staff and students in this area
- the assessment requires to be reviewed at regular intervals or any material changes, i.e. new chemicals, processes, equipment and/or locations
- input all chemicals on the University Hazardous Database and update as required

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If you require any further information, please contact the [Health and Safety Office](#).

