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1. Introduction:

1.1 Working with asphalt carries a double risk. A primary risk from working with hot asphalt is from the location — roads and roofs.

2. Main Points:

2.1 Plan tasks using asphalt taking into account the local environment (roads, etc.)

2.2 Only trained persons should carry out tasks (or trainees under supervision).

2.3 Apply hot work precautions, use fire appliances, after work checks etc.

3. Points to remember

3.1 Areas where asphalt is being carried out should be fenced off to prevent access by the public. Where applicable, traffic control will need to be used.

3.2 Signpost the type of work being carried out (e.g. hot asphalt).

3.3 Ensure suitable PPE is worn and used!

3.4 Wear hi-visibility vest when working near roads.

3.5 Have suitable and sufficient fire extinguishers within arm's reach. Ensure all workers know how to use them.

3.6 Have a first aid kit available and ensure basic treatment for burns is known.

3.7 Ensure asphalt/bitumen is not too hot and, in particular, that taps are working.

3.8 Avoid the need to carry heavy loads over any distance so far as is reasonably practical.

3.9 Carry out checks 30 minutes before work has been completed for any residual risk.

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All operatives **listed and signed** below Box Talk.

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