



## **Certificated Surveyors in Remedial Treatment (CSRT) Recommended Reading List**

The following list of documents will be useful to those studying the certificated Surveyors in Remedial Treatment exam (CSRT) syllabus. New documents are continually being issued by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and other government departments and associations, so this list is a guide and may not be comprehensive.

### **Suggested Technical Documents:**

- British Standards:BS 6576:2005 - Code of practice for diagnosis of rising damp in walls of buildings and installation of chemical damp-proof courses
- British Research Establishment (BRE) BRE453 - Recognising wood rot and insect damage in buildings (3rd edition) (A F Bravery, R W Berry, J K Carey and D E Cooper)
- BRE Digest 443/1 - Termites and UK buildings: Biology, detection and diagnosis
- BRE245 (2007) - Rising Damp in Walls – Diagnosis & Treatment.
- BRE307 - Identifying Damage by Wood Boring Insects
- BRE299 - Dry Rot: Its Recognition and Control
- BRE345 – Wet rots: Recognition and Control
- BRE466 -Understanding dampness - effects, causes, diagnosis and remedies

### **Other Codes of Practice and Standards**

- HSE - Managing Health and Safety in Construction: Approved Code of Practice: CDM 2007
- HSE - In-situ Timber Treatment Using Timber Preservatives: Health, Safety and Environmental Precautions

## **Additional Documents**

### **Property Care Association – Technical Documents**

The following documents are given as hand-outs at the Surveyors Training Course.

Alternatively, PCA members can access them through the members' section of the website, and non-members can obtain them by registering through the 'Property Professionals' section of the PCA website.

- PCA Leaflets on dampness:
  - DP1 - The use of Moisture Metres
  - DP2 - Plastering in association with the institution of a Remedial Damp Proof Course
  - DP3 - Recognition and Causes of Condensation
  - DP5 - Chemical Damp Proof course insertion – the Attendant problems
  - DP6 - Safety in Damp Proof
  - DP7 - Chemical Damp Proof courses in walls
  - DP8 - Damp Proofing Barriers Tanking - in Association with Chemical Damp Proofing Courses
  - DP9 - Guidelines to Survey Report writing
  
- PCA Leaflets on Timber Remedial Treatments:
  - T1 - Fungal Decay in Buildings
  - T5 - Preservative Treatment against Wood Borers
  
- PCA Code of Practice on Timber Remedial Treatments (2008)
- PCA Code of Practice for the Installation of Chemical Damp Proof Courses (2008)

### **Useful websites:**

- Property Care Association (PCA) [www.property-care.org](http://www.property-care.org)
- Building Research Establishment (BRE) [www.bre.co.uk](http://www.bre.co.uk) / [www.brebookshop.com](http://www.brebookshop.com)
- British Standards Institute (BSI) [www.bsi-global.com](http://www.bsi-global.com)
- Health and Safety Executive (HSE) <http://www.hse.gov.uk/>