



Certificated Surveyors in Remedial Treatment Exam (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
BRE Digest 443/2 - Termites and UK buildings: Control and management of subterranean termites
- BRE245 (2007) - Rising Damp in Walls – Diagnosis & Treatment.
- BRE307 - Identifying Damage by Wood Boring Insects
- BRE229 - Dry Rot: Its Recognition and Control
- BRE345 – Wet rots: Recognition and Control
- BRE466 -Understanding dampness - effects, causes, diagnosis and remedies
- Decay of Timber in Buildings: Dry Rot, Wet Rot and Other Fungi (Rentokil Library) – Dr C R Coggins

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

Legislation

Available from Health and Safety Executive (HSE) website:

- Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974
- The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations 2002
- The Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999
- The Food and Environment Protection Act 1985 (FEPR)
- The Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986 (COPR)
- Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (WCA)
- The Consumer Protection Act 1987 (CPA)
- The Control of Pollution Act 1974
- The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPO)

Useful websites:

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

Additional Documents

Property Care Association – Technical Documents (available for PCA members only)

- 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)