

**Summary of Current Health & Safety Laws** of interest to enforcement in the service sector – ie not including obscure laws about certain factory, mining or agricultural concerns. Nor including employment rights, nor civil damage claim laws. In date order.  
 (and most usefully with links to <http://www.hmsso.gov.uk/legislation/uk.htm> for anything later than 1986 – but this won't reveal any amendments made to the original law)

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Adventure Activities (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">1359</a>			
Adventure Activities Licensing Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">1309</a>		Sets down the requirements for safety among recreational type activity centres. (Replaces '96 regs)	
Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations 1983	1983	1649		Require employers/self-employed persons working with asbestos to obtain a licence from the enforcing authority in advance.	
Asbestos (Prohibitions) (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">1889</a>		Amends 1992 regs eg reg 2 & 3	
Asbestos (Prohibitions) Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">3067</a>		Prohibits the importation, supply or use of asbestos and asbestos materials.	
Biocidal Products (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">429</a>			
Building Regulations 2000	2000	<a href="#">2531</a>			
Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">568</a>		Requires certain standards for manufacture and use of pressurised receptacles, etc	
Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">1689</a>	CHIP2	Require suppliers to classify, label and package dangerous chemicals and provide safety data sheets for them.	
Children (Protection at Work) Regulations 2000	2000	<a href="#">1333</a>		Controls the ages at which children can do certain types of employment	
Children and Young Persons Act 1933	1933			Restricts employment of children under 18	Much amended
Cinematograph (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">1903</a>			

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Civil Aviation (Working Time) Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">756</a>			
Claims and Payments Regulations 1979	1979			Requires employers to keep an accident book in a certain format	
Confined Spaces Regulations 1997	1997	<a href="#">1713</a>		Impose safety requirements and the provision of emergency plans on those who work in confined spaces, (e.g. because oxygen levels can fall).. Also prohibits this type of work when other means are available.	
Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994	1994	<a href="#">3140</a>	CDM	Make provisions for safe systems of work on construction sites and for the life of the building by aiming to design out any unnecessary hazards..	
Construction (Head Protection) Regulations 1989	1989	<a href="#">2209</a>		Require the provision and wearing of suitable head protection when working on construction sites.	
Construction (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1996	1996	<a href="#">1592</a>		Concerns general health and safety on construction sites –some of the most hazardous workplaces around..	
Construction (Working Places) Regulations 1966	1966	94		Standards for scaffolding etc on construction sites	
Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2675</a>	CAW	Safety requirements concerning working with asbestos as breathing in the dust can cause deadly cancers..	
Control of Industrial Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999	1999	<a href="#">743</a>	CIMAH	Safety requirements that prevent and limit the effect of possible accidents involving large quantities of dangerous industrial substances (ie over ### tonnes).	
Control of Lead at Work Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2676</a>		Safety requirements concerning working with lead and lead-containing products as they can build up to damaging levels in your blood.	
Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986	1986		CoPR	Governs the sale storage and use of insecticides, weedkillers, wood preservatives etc as they can be very toxic to the user or the environment.	
Control of Pollution (Special Waste) Regulations 1980	1980				

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Control of Pollution (Supply and Use of Injurious Substances) Regulations 1986	1986				
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">978</a>			
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2677</a>	COSHH	Requires employers to assess the risks from hazardous substances and take appropriate precautions (other regulations cover particular areas, for example asbestos and lead).	
Creosote (Prohibition on Use and Marketing)(No. 2) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">1511</a>			
Dangerous Substances (Notification and Marking of Sites) Regulations 1990	1990	<a href="#">304</a>		Requires the notification and marking of sites where there is a total quantity of 25 tonnes or more of dangerous substances.	
Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2776</a>	DSEAR	Requires the elimination or reduction of the risks associated with dangerous substances.	
Dangerous Substances and Preparations (Safety) (Consolidation) (Amendment) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">1770</a>			
Dangerous Substances and Preparations (Safety) (Consolidation) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">3010</a>			
Dangerous Substances and Preparations (Safety) (Consolidation) (Amendment) Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">1417</a>			

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Dangerous Substances and Preparations (Safety) (Consolidation) and Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 2000	2000	<a href="#">2897</a>			
Dangerous Substances and Preparations (Safety) (Consolidation)(Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2479</a>			
Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994	1994			Prepared the way for repealing unnecessary laws	
Disability Discrimination Act 1995	1995			Makes it unlawful to discriminate against disabled persons in employment or provision of goods and services.	DDA (Am) Regs 2003
Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">1673</a>			
Education (Work Experience) Act 1973	1973			Allows schools to arrange work experience for 15 year olds, despite other laws preventing the usual employment of such young children.	
Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 1994	1994	<a href="#">3260</a>		Requires the display of CE marking on electrical appliances and the provision of technical documents related to those appliances.	
Electricity at Work Regulations 1989	1989	<a href="#">635</a>	EAW	Requires action to ensure electrical systems are safe to use and maintained in a safe condition.	
Employers Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">2573</a>		Requires employers to take out insurance against accidents and ill health to their employees.	
Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Act 1969	1969			Requires employers to insure against liability for personal injury to staff	
Employers' Liability (Defective Equipment) Act 1969	1969			Makes the employer liable should he provide faulty work equipment to his staff that causes injury	

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Employment Act 1989	1989			Amends the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 where Health & Safety principles apply etc.	
Employment Medical Advisory Service Act 1972	1972			Provided for the establishment of EMAS	
Employment of Children Act 1973	1973			Restrictions on child employment and powers for the local authority.	
Employment Rights Act 1996	1996			Protects shop workers not wanting Sunday work. S44 protects all employees from any detriment because of their action to improve Health & Safety etc	Health & Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regs 1996 added s1(ba)
Environment and Safety Information Act 1988	1988			Requires the keeping of public registers of HSW improvement and prohibition notices etc that relate to matters that could affect non-employees.	-
Environmental Protection Act 1990	<a href="#">1990</a>			Makes provisions for the licensing of polluting processes and for dealing with statutory nuisances.	
Factories Act 1961	1961		FA	Made general provisions for the health and safety. Remaining parts include medical examinations, and duty to notify of new occupation	Mostly repealed Amendments to sections 10A, 37, 68, 117, 119, 125, 171, 175, 176, 180
Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations 1997	1997	<a href="#">1840</a>		Requires the implementation of fire-fighting and fire detection equipment and the provision of emergency routes and exits.	Reg 9 by Management of Health and Safety at Work and Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 2003
Fire Precautions Act 1971	1971			Requires the implementation of fire precautions, including fire certification.	Much amended
Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987	1987				
Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">2451</a>		Covers safe installation, maintenance and use of gas systems and appliances in domestic and commercial premises.	
Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996	1996	<a href="#">551</a>		Requires standards for the distribution, composition, pressure of gas and the provision of emergency plans.	
Health & Safety (Young Persons) Regulations 1997	1997	<a href="#">135</a>		Amends the management regs 92 to improve safety of employed young persons	

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Health and Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regulations 1996	1996	<a href="#">1513</a>		Requires employers to consult with employees or their representatives on health and safety.	
Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">2792</a>	DSE	Sets out ergonomic and visual requirements for work with computer screens (Visual Display Units =VDUs).	
Health and Safety (Emissions into Atmosphere) Regulations 1983	1983	943		Principally concerned with the control of emissions in the interest of public safety.	
Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">494</a>		Specifies whether local authorities or the HSE are the enforcing authorities for types of premises.	
Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981	1981	917		Requirements for first aid in the work place.	
Health and Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2174</a>			
Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996	1996	<a href="#">341</a>		prescribes the style of signs that should be displayed for safety reasons and the signals used for communicating visually with crane operators, reversing lorry drivers etc	
Health and Safety at Work Etc. Act 1974	1974		HASWA	The foundation for all health and safety law setting out the general principles and duties for employers and employees.	A few sections repealed (inc 2(5))and many others amended, including 2(7), 3(2), 5, 6, 10(8), 14(7), 15, 20, 22, 23, 25A, 27, 28, 33, 47 and others
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2001	2001	<a href="#">2127</a>			
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application to Environmentally Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">282</a>			
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application to Environmentally Hazardous Substances) (Amendment) Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">463</a>			

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Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989	1989	<a href="#">682</a>		Require employers to display a certain poster telling employees some basic things they need to know about health and safety.	
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999	1999	<a href="#">3232</a>		Makes provisions for the management of, protection from, and use and storage of ionising radiation.	
Justification of Practices Involving Ionising Radiation Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">1769</a>			
Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">2307</a>	LOLER	Comprehensive requirements concerning lifting operations, people and equipment. Applicable to lifts, cranes, forklift trucks etc	
Lifting Plant and Equipment (Records of Test and Examination etc) Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">195</a>		Specifies the particulars to be recorded in a thorough examination etc	
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976	1976			Requirement for someone to provide information on their financial or managerial interests in land or a building.	
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982	1982				
London Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991	1991				
London Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1995	1995				
London Local Authorities Act 1990	1990				
London Local Authorities Act 1991	<a href="#">1991</a>			Allow London Authorities to licence personal treatments such as massage and ear piercng	

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Management of Health and Safety at Work and Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">2457</a>		Amends MHSW Regs 1999/3242 by changing reg 22 to allow more civil claims etc and the FPW Regs 1997/1840	
Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999	1999	<a href="#">3242</a>		Require employers to carry out risk assessments, make arrangements to implement necessary measures, appoint competent people and arrange for appropriate information and training.	Reg 22: Management of Health and Safety at Work and Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 2003
Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">2793</a>		Cover the moving of objects by hand or bodily force and the need to avoid undue strain or any musculoskeletal injury.	
Medical Devices (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">1697</a>			
Noise at Work Regulations 1989	1989	<a href="#">1790</a>		Require employers to take action to protect employees from hearing damage	
Notification of Cooling Towers and Evaporative Condensers Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">2225</a>		Require an owner of a premises to notify the local authority of those wet processes that can cause legionella outbreaks if poorly managed.	
Notification of Employment of Persons Order 1964	1964	533		Prescribes the format of the OSR form on foolscap paper.	
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">2979</a>			
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances Regulations 1982	1982	1357		Require an owner of a premises to notify the local authority of any dangerous substances as defined in these regulations.	
Nuclear Safeguards (Notification) Regulations 2004	2004	<a href="#">1255</a>			
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963	1963		OSR	Almost all now replaced by the workplace regulations. However section 49 requiring employers in such premises to notify the enforcing authority when they commence employing someone is still in force.	Mostly repealed including 49(2) Amendments to sections 6, 46, 49(3), 50, 69, 72, 83, 84, 90 etc

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Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">1144</a>	PPE	Requires employers to provide appropriate protective clothing and equipment for their employees	
Pressure Equipment Regulations 1999	1999	<a href="#">2001</a>	PER	Sets down safety measures relating to pressure equipment and assemblies.	
Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000	2000	<a href="#">128</a>	PSSR	Implements safety measures and working limits to prevent accidents with boilers, compressed air systems and similar pressurised equipment.	
Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">2306</a>	PUWER	Require that equipment provided for use at work, including machinery, is safe.	
Regulatory Reform (Sunday Trading) Order 2004	2004	<a href="#">470</a>		Removes the requirement for shopkeepers to give notice to the Council of the 6 hour period they are going to be open	
Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995	1995	<a href="#">3163</a>	RIDDOR	Require employers to notify certain occupational injuries, diseases and dangerous events to the enforcing authority.	
Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977	1977	500		Set down requirements for the appointment and functions of safety representatives and their rights in the workplace.	
Simple Pressure Vessels (Safety) Regulations 1991	1991	<a href="#">2749</a>		Sets down safety measures relating to simple pressure equipment and assemblies.	
Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992	1992			Sets out the eligibility conditions for industrial injuries benefit	
Sunday Trading Act 1994	1994			Sets down restrictions for large shops (over 280 sq m sale area) to trade on Sunday for up to 6 hours and give certain rights to the employees.	Schedule 1 various
Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992	1992	3073			
Working Time (Amendment) Regulations 2002	2002	<a href="#">3128</a>		Multiple changes to 1998 Regs	
Working Time (Amendment) Regulations 2003	2003	<a href="#">1684</a>		Multiple changes to 1998 Regs	

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Working Time Regulations 1998	1998	<a href="#">1833</a>		Regulates the maximum working time of employees to 48 hours per week etc, but with a large number of exclusions and exemptions.	Variously by 99, 2002 and 2003 Amendment Regs
Working Time Regulations 1999	1999	<a href="#">3372</a>		Amends the 98 Regs	
Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992	1992	<a href="#">3004</a>		Cover a wide range of basic health, safety and welfare issues such as ventilation, heating, lighting, workstations, seating and welfare facilities.	