

## BEST PRACTICE

LOCATION:	Company-wide	ARTICLE YEAR	2006
ACTIVITY:	Occupational Health	COMPANY:	WBB Minerals
SUB ACTIVITY:	Air and dust	COMPANY LOCATION:	WBB Minerals
BEST PRACTICE No:	BP350	COMPANY TEL:	01270 752651
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:	United Kingdom		

### TITLE

**Control of respirable crystalline silica dust**

### ARTICLE

WBB Minerals has developed comprehensive systems covering all aspects of the management and control of respirable crystalline silica dust.

These systems include:

- ? Implementation of the IMA Europe standardised dust sampling protocol by an in-house monitoring team
- ? Provision of silica dust awareness training for site operatives
- ? Use of the company intranet to improve communication on respirable crystalline silica issues with operatives
- ? Risk assessment for exposure to respirable crystalline silica dust using a formalised document management system
- ? Fit-testing of dust masks for operatives in accordance with industry best practice and COSHH
- ? Provision of health surveillance for personnel exposed to respirable crystalline silica dust.

These measures need not be expensive and can bring long-term benefits.

### ARTICLE IMAGES

