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Dust is a term used to describe all airborne particles – these can be wood, stone, flour, concrete, grain, mould or asbestos particles as well as fumes and chemicals. Many activities create dust. Larger dust particles get lodged in the nose and throat while the smaller more dangerous particles get lodged deep in the lungs – these dust particles are the ones that can cause fatal diseases. It is a legal requirement to assess and monitor the dust risk in a work environment where the creation of dust is “part of the job”. After the risk is assessed, dust extraction and suppression equipment can then be installed and utilised. In order to lower your risk in terms of dust exposure attempt to implement the following ideas – try to avoid creating dust by investigating different ways of doing a dust-creating job; try to prevent your exposure to dust or use dust extracting methods and equipment; however, if it’s not possible to avoid dust completely, try to minimise your exposure as much as possible. Remember, dust is dangerous – work safely.

