# **Hazardous Dust**

## WHAT IS HAZARDOUS DUST?

Hazardous dust includes dust from wood, mould spores, asbestos, glass wool (fibreglass), respirable crystalline silica, and other materials which, when inhaled, can spread particles throughout the lungs, known to result in lung cancer, silicosis and other diseases. Known as H-class dust, it can come from the following materials, among others:



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You are at risk of developing serious lung illnesses, including asthma or cancer, if you inhale hazardous dust.

### PROCESSES THAT GENERATE HAZARDOUS DUST:





Hammering/ J chopping

Jackhammering

Drilling

Grinding





#### Rock-crushing Sawing/milling Sa

Sandblasting Filling/surfacing

### PROTECT WHAT MATTERS

The right dust-extraction equipment protects not only you, but also your colleagues and work environment.

You need to utilise the right respiratory protection, but an H-class extractor is also a necessary engineering control. These double-filter equipped machines collect hazardous dust in a sealable bag designed for safe handling and disposal. This bag prevents any dust from escaping once collected.



Nilfisk recommends using an H class dust extractor for any process that may generate hazardous dust, to ensure compliance with WHS regulations.





WHO IS AT RISK?

materials that can release

# How to select the right dust extractor

#### MEDIUM-RISK DUST, E.G.:

- Pine-wood dust
- Grout
- Filling materials
- Lacquer/varnish
- Plaster



• Cement

- Paint (i.e. latex/oil-based)



Choose an M-class dust extractor

# LOW-RISK DUST, E.G.:

- Household dust
- Dirt



# WHAT KIND OF **DUST ARE YOU GENERATING?**

#### HIGH-RISK DUST, E.G.:

- Respirable guartz
- Silica dust
- Hardwood dust
- Mold spores
- Asbestos
- Lead dust



Choose an H-class dust extractor

# **IF YOU ARE PROCESSING CERTAIN M-CLASS** MATERIALS, YOU MAY BE GENERATING SILICA **DUST, AN H-CLASS MATERIAL.**

Use an H-class dust extractor for:





**OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS:** Concrete, Brick, Granite, Sand/Gravel, Tiling and Mortar



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(i.e. glass wool)

• Mineral fiber

MDF board