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ISO/IEC 17025 Accredited Laboratory

**STANDARD 5-DAY TURNAROUND**

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### SERVICE AROUND THE EASTER BREAK

During yet another COVID lockdown ELAB remains open to accept samples and deliver on quality results. Like all businesses during this time, we are affected by staff self-isolation and courier shortages however be assured we are making every effort to provide the level of service you have come to expect.

Please note the following last collection dates before the Easter break, last collection and reopening day:

- Last collections Thurs – 01 April 2021
- Closed Good Friday – 02 April 2021
- Closed Easter Monday – 05 April 2021
- Open as usual Tuesday – 06 April 2021

Contact our Customer Services to arrange a collection on 01424 718618 or email [cs@elab-uk.co.uk](mailto:cs@elab-uk.co.uk) or visit our website and complete our [online request](#) form.

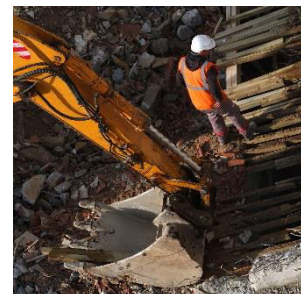


### QUALITY ANALYSIS CAN SAVE MONEY

ELAB were commissioned to carry out a study on imported soil laid for landscaping to a prestige housing development in London following Concerns raised that soil was contaminated with asbestos.

ELAB's brief was to review the historical records, carry out parallel sampling to that previously undertaken, and carry out testing for the presence of asbestos.

ELAB were able to demonstrate that all samples of the imported material were free of asbestos, both as discrete asbestos containing material and free fibres within the soil matrix. As a result, substantial cost and time savings were made by not having to remove and replace the previously imported topsoil.



## ELAB ACCREDITATIONS SUCCESSFUL RENEWED

ELAB are pleased to confirm renewal of our accreditation following our annual surveillance visit by UKAS. We were pleased to host the UKAS surveillance team in January for our annual accreditation review under ISO/IEC 17025:2017.

For our full list of UKAS accreditation please visit our website or the UKAS site where you can find us under our full name of "The Environmental Laboratory Ltd":

[https://www.ukas.com/wp-content/uploads/schedule\\_uploads/00002/2683Testing%20Single.pdf](https://www.ukas.com/wp-content/uploads/schedule_uploads/00002/2683Testing%20Single.pdf)

For further information on how ELAB can help you with your soil, water and leachate contamination testing please call 01424 718618 or email [cs@elab-uk.co.uk](mailto:cs@elab-uk.co.uk)

The image shows a UKAS Accreditation Schedule of Accreditation document. It includes the UKAS logo, the title 'Schedule of Accreditation', and the name of the accredited organization, 'The Environmental Laboratory Ltd'. The document lists various testing services and their accreditation status.

Material/Process/Value	Type of Test/Property	Reference/Specification
ASBESTOS IN SOILS AND THERMALS including sampling and analysis	Sampling and Analysis	BS 6841:2009
ASBESTOS IN SOILS (flow counting and certification)	Flow Counting and Certification	BS 6841:2009
ASBESTOS IN SOILS	Quantification of Asbestos	BS 6841:2009

UKAS Accreditation

## FIVE-DAY TURNAROUNDS FOR YOUR TESTING

ELAB offer five-day turnaround as standard on new work and on request for existing contracts at no extra cost. This follows streamlining of our operations and improvements to our LIMS system.

Our five-day turnaround does not apply to sub-contracted testing which is undertaken on best endeavour. We continue to offer 24/48hr and 3-day turnaround for urgent work (subject to confirmation on capacity). So please call us to discuss your processing needs on 01424 718618 or email [cs@elab-uk.co.uk](mailto:cs@elab-uk.co.uk).

*Please note Five-day turnaround terms do not apply to any sub-contracting element of a project and sample reception date (delivery date) is considered as day 0 (zero) for processing purposes.*



Remember you can learn more about our range of services at any time by visiting our website at [www.elab-uk.co.uk](http://www.elab-uk.co.uk). If you need faster testing turnaround, we can offer 24hr, 48hr and 3-day testing to fast track your samples. Talk to our collection team about your testing needs.

Kind regards,



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