The CDM 2015 regulations have several duty holders who have defined legal responsibilities. The client as the main duty holder, will mainly have expertise in managing their own processes and systems but may be unfamiliar with the hazards, risks and rules associated with decommissioning and demolition.

Other duty holders under the regulations include:
- Principal designer
- Principal contractor
- Designers
- Contractors

Clients have duties to prepare, plan and design for demolition and assess the affect that design may have on the principal contractors methodology in regard to how demolition is carried out. The standard of decommissioning the location of re-routes and isolations.

Designing for decommissioning and demolition, the regulations require that:
- The principals of removing and controlling foreseeable risks are applied
- Following the principals of prevention

What we offer
ABB can offer various solutions through all stages of a project from initial conception to the issue of the final health and safety file, through auditing compliance or fulfil the duties of the principal designer.

Auditing for CDM compliance
ABB have significant experience of designing decommissioning and demolition projects with key emphasis on:
- Carrying out CDM preparedness compliance audits
- Checking all the duty holders are fulfilling their legal duties under the regulations
Benefits
The benefits ABB can bring to your projects:

- Ensuring the delivery of regulatory CDM compliance
- World class health and safety compliance on all sites. By analysing, controlling and managing risks through ABB’s HazDem process principals and utilising ABB’s inherited safety culture
- ABB have a world class safety performance resulting in industry awards and recognition including a RoSPA Presidents Award for achieving ten gold awards on one project
- Experienced in designing decommissioning and demolition strategies

Why ABB?
- Worldwide in-house resources with support of various specialist departments
- We are well known and established demolition safety leaders within the decommissioning and demolition industry and our professional consultants are often guest speakers at high profile safety events
- At ABB many of our consultants, engineers and industry specialists have over 20 years’ experience in managing complex decommissioning, demolition and land remediation projects, drawing on our unique heritage and wealth of knowledge and experience within these areas
- Extensive track record of preparation, decommissioning and demolition, including many team members who are ex-employees of heavy industrial / offshore / power station demolition contractors. Through our various methodologies we can greatly reduce costs, maximising economic benefit of the project either in cost savings or credit paid back to the client

“Having completed a ‘HazDem / CDM preparedness audit with the ABB, the EDFE project team felt it gave in-depth focus and guidance on all aspects of our power station decommissioning and demolition project, the areas of strength and weakness within our operational processes, with proactive gap analysis feedback and showed how items should be tracked through the maturing project, with specific emphasis placed on safety and legal compliance with the CDM reg’s relating to both the decommissioning and demolition elements of the venture.’

Nick Farr, Decommissioning Sequencing & Strategy Engineer (Seconded), Cottam Power Station