What is a Fire Risk Assessment and do I need one Legally? How do I Get One?

The principal current fire safety legislation known as the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 requires virtually all premises with the exception of single private dwellings to be provided with a fire risk assessment.

A fire risk assessment is an organised and methodical look at your premises, the activities carried on there and the likelihood that a fire could start and cause harm to those in and around the premises.

The purpose of this assessment is to decide what physical fire precautions and management arrangements are necessary to ensure the safety of people in your premises if a fire does start.

The assessment covers a wide range of topics including: escape routes, fire alarm and detection systems, emergency lighting, signage, fire extinguishers, testing and recording keeping, to name but a few! Hence the Risk Assessor needs to be a competent person.

This assessment must be carried out by the responsible person for the premises, however if they lack the knowledge and experience in fire safety to be able to do this, then professional help should be sought.

It is now widely recommended by the UK Fire Industry and Government that companies proving fire risk assessments should be insured, third party certificated, and on a register of approved fire risk assessors such as that provided by the Institution of Fire Engineers and other awarding bodies to protect you and your organisation.

Having a competent risk assessor can save you money by removing the risk of you carrying out unnecessary and costly works.

Here at Swan Fire our team of Risk Assessors meet all the above Criteria and can undertake your Fire Risk Assessment for you and produce you a clear action plan of any necessary improvements and how to achieve them to ensure compliance.

On Site Fire Risk Assessment

We offer a full Fire Risk Assessment of your premises to enable you to meet the legal requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

On-site fire risk assessments are carried out by our accredited, experienced fire safety professionals who have many years of experience in Fire Safety and will ensure that you have a suitable and sufficient risk assessment as required by law. If you aren't compliant in any way, they will advise you on what is required to gain compliance, with cost and time constraints in mind.

The service includes a visit to your site to inspect your premises and audit your current fire safety management systems followed by a full report and action plan detailing any remedial works and suggested timescales.

We will always be on hand to guide you through this process and will help ensure you are legally compliant.

The cost of this service is £375 plus VAT per day.

Please contact us to discuss your premises, so we can confirm a guaranteed cost based on how long it will take to complete the assessment of your premises, e.g. I day or more.

Swan Fire have years of experience assessing all types of buildings and organisations including: university colleges, student accommodation, offices, retail outlets, industrial premises, residential care homes, schools, pubs, and hotels and would be delighted to help you ensure your premises are Fire Safety compliant.

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