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What is a Fire Risk Assessment?

A Fire Risk Assessment is an examination of workplace activities and workplaces that could cause harm or injury. It should allow you to decide where enough precautions are already in place and where more can be introduced.

The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005

Is the latest piece of legislation and is designed to roll up nearly all the preceding pieces of UK Fire Safety legislation into one comprehensive law.

It's most significant actions in this respect are to repeal the Fire Precautions Act 1971 and to revoke the Fire Precautions (workplace) Regulation 1997 . The latter represented a significant shift of emphasis of the law toward Risk Assessment; The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order continues this objective and removes the traditional "Fire Certificate"

The following is a summation of the most significant parts of the Order :-

The Responsible Person : defined as the person who owns or controls the business or premises. This person is responsible for the safety of the Employees and other Relevant Persons.

This should carried out by properly managing the following: -

- Fire Risk Assessment
- Fire Safety Policy
- Fire Procedures (such as evacuation)
- Staff Training
- Fire Drills
- Means of Escape
- Signs and Notices
- Emergency Lighting
- Fire Alarm
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Doors and Compartments

Aims of a Fire Risk Assessment

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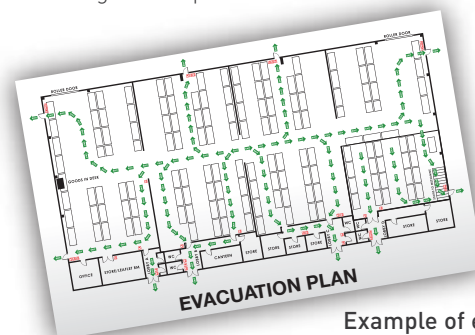
Method of the assessment

Our assessor will carry out an assessment of the workplace - shop, school, hotel, factory, office, etc - to identify all Fire Hazards and who is at risk, the risks are then measured against the control measures currently in place.

Then from the findings a detailed document will be produced (Fire Risk Assessment) this official document details all Hazards, Fire Safety Controls, any actions required by your company to reduce the Fire Risks to an acceptable level.

The completed Fire Risk Assessment will then provide your company with the required information to allow a detailed Emergency Plan to be produced - as a live document to demonstrate to your Fire Officer that all provisions for Fire Safety are being addressed.

Our assessment include digital evacuation and fire equipment maintenance plans when the appropriate drawing can be provided.



Example of evacuation drawing: