



# Fire Protection in Buildings

Compliance, competence and responsibilities

A FREE half day seminar designed to inform you about your legal responsibility under the Regulatory Reform Fire Safety Order (RRFSO), competency, compliance and passive fire protection.

## DATES & LOCATION

10 July 2019, London city centre

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**The day is designed for individuals working in the following areas:**

- Building control
- Care homes
- Educational establishments
- Facilities and estate management
- Fire and rescue services
- Healthcare
- Housing associations
- Local authorities
- Risk assessors

Through a series of short presentations, BM TRADA and a panel of industry experts will provide essential guidance for those responsible for the fire prevention measures in their buildings, on their legal responsibilities and how to ensure the competency of those companies and individuals they will need to appoint to help meet them.



## PROGRAMME

08.00 – 09.00

Registration, networking breakfast

09.05 – 09.10

Welcome, introduction and housekeeping

09.10 – 09.25

**Introducing the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order – the legislation which underpins today's event**

**Peter Barker, Warringtonfire**

- Why does it matter?
- Who does it affect?
- Key points to consider

09.25 – 09.55

**What is competency, how to judge it, why is it important and when does it matter?**

**Steve Skarratt, Fire Service College**

- What is competency?
- Why is it important?
- Who needs to be competent?
- How do you achieve competency?
- Hackitt Steering Committee, Working Group 4 (fire risk assessor competency) – update

09.55 – 10.05

Q&A for sessions one and two

10.05 – 10.35

**The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order and Passive Fire Protection: Getting it Right**

**Niall Rowan, Association for Specialist Fire Protection (ASFP)**

- Introduction to Passive Fire Protection
- Passive Fire Protection and the requirements of the RRFSO
- What knowledge does a Fire Risk Assessor need to have?
- Introduction to ASFP Guide to Passive Fire Protection for Fire Risk Assessors
- Hackitt Steering Committee, Working Group 2 (contractor competency) - update

10.35 – 11.05

**Third Party Certification: Demonstrating Compliance and Adding Assurance**  
**Peter Barker, Warringtonfire**

- What is fire testing?
- The role of assessments: the link between testing, product scope and third party certification
- Third party certification: demonstrating compliance and adding assurance
- Third party certification: manufacture, installation and maintenance
- MHCLG, Building Regulations and Standards - update

11.05 – 11.15

Q&A's for sessions three and four

11.15 – 11.45

Coffee break

Please post any further questions in our questions box

11.45 – 12.15

**The view of the fire and rescue service: Day in the life of an enforcing officer**  
**Nick Coombe, NFCC Protection & Business Safety Vice Chair**

- The role of the enforcing officer
- The inspection and what the enforcing officer looks for
- Consequences of non-compliance
- Enforcement actions

12.15 – 12.45

**Legal responsibilities of the responsible person identified in the RRFSO**

**Carl May-Smith, Browne Jacobson**

- The legal obligations placed on the responsible person
- Complying with the RRFSO
- The risk assessment
- Case study: The first prosecution of a fire risk assessor
- Case study: Prosecution of a responsible person

12.45 – 13.00

**The panel will answer questions collected in the break plus those from the audience**

13.00

Event close

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## YOUR PRESENTERS

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**Peter Barker**  
Technical Manager,  
Warringtonfire

Peter is a Technical Manager in the Fire and Building Products sector at Warringtonfire and has worked for 15 years in the field of passive fire protection, specialising in leading and supporting engineers producing engineering assessments of fire resisting construction products and providing technical support to Notified Bodies offering testing and certification services.



**Niall Rowan**  
CEO,  
ASFP

Niall is the Chief Executive Officer at the ASFP and has extensive experience in all aspects of passive fire protection, fire regulation and fire standards, both in the UK and within Europe. He has worked in the fire safety testing, certification and fire consultancy arenas for more than 30 years.



**Steve Skarratt**  
Head of Protection  
and Prevention,  
Fire Service College

Steve is Head of Protection and Prevention at the Fire Service College and is responsible for all aspects of the quality of training delivery. He has worked in education management for over 16 years, working closely with Fire & Rescue Services, as well as private sector organisations, to identify role based competencies.



**Nick Coombe**  
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NFCC Protection &  
Business Safety Vice  
Chair

Nick's 37 years' service for the London Fire Brigade has spanned many roles including Inspecting Officer, Team leader, Head of Fire Safety Training, Enforcement Manager and Head of Fire Safety Policy. He has helped write DCLG guides and as the Chair of CFOA Enforcement working group helped produce policies and guidance on the RRO to Fire & Rescue Services. He is currently NFCC Protection vice chair and lead on implementation of the Hackitt review and post Grenfell fall out. He is a member of the newly formed Industry Safety Steering Group led by Dame Judith Hackitt to hold industry to account on the progress of post Grenfell change.

He was a founder member of the Fire Risk Assessment Competency Council and is also the IFE lead assessor on Fire Risk Assessment Register of Auditors. He sits on various BS Committees.

In the 2019 New Years Honours list he was awarded a MBE for services to fire safety.



**Carl May-Smith**  
Barrister and Partner,  
Browne Jacobson

Carl May-Smith, a Barrister and Partner at national law firm Browne Jacobson, advises Fire Authorities and other public bodies on regulation and enforcement matters getting involved in prosecutions under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

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“I found the course very informative, interesting and useful. There was a good cross section of speakers who delivered their presentations at the right level.”

Ross Pritchard Building Control Officer, South Gloucestershire Council

“A very worthwhile and informative event, with the added benefit of the opportunity to network with fellow fire safety colleagues.”

Steve Goodburn Sales Director, CGI International

“Excellent content, I really learnt a lot on the day and found the information useful and informative.”

Dave Riley Standards and Accreditations Manager, Duraflex

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