# SFJFS7
## Review matters relating to fire protection systems

| **Overview** | This standard is about advising on management control systems and practices, and active and passive systems affording protection from fire to people, property and the environment. It includes the range of resources and equipment available relevant to the prevention, control, containment or elimination of outbreak of fire or related incidents. Individuals will work within their personal level of responsibility and authority for providing advice and information and dealing with compliance issues. |
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**There are two elements**

1    Evaluate premises to determine fire risks
2    Recommend options to support appropriate risk reduction measures, fire precautions and maintenance routines

**Target Group**
The standard is recommended for Practitioners, i.e. anyone who is employed or contracted to work with others in an organisation – staff, owners and/or occupiers - to ensure that, within the scope of their responsibility, suitable and sufficient fire safety arrangements are made and maintained.

It is also appropriate for Regulators, i.e. anyone who has the responsibility for ensuring the requirements of Fire Safety and associated regulation are being met through cooperation or enforcement.

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**Evaluate premises to determine fire risks**

*You must be able to:*

P1 confirm the type, range and level of fire risk within each location, having regard to its construction, layout and use

P2 confirm planned changes in construction, layout and use of premises which may affect the suitability of the existing fire protection systems, or the choice of new systems

P3 identify the relevant national and/or international standards

P4 determine the validity of the current risk assessment and identify risks which are not adequately controlled

P5 investigate the adequacy and effectiveness of current fire protection systems

P6 where deficiencies are identified, obtain sufficient additional information to assist with recommendations

P7 where relevant, obtain specialist advice to support assessment where factors influencing risk are outside of own personal level of expertise

**FS7.2 Recommend options to support appropriate risk reduction measures, fire precautions and maintenance routines**

*You must be able to:*

P8 identify options for fire protection to control identified risks

P9 for each option, consider the contribution to, and impact on, the overall fire safety strategy

P10 prioritise options to meet legislative, regulatory and statutory requirements

P11 risk assess information that may influence the ultimate selection of fire protection systems

P12 produce recommendations in agreed format and at sufficient level of detail to assist with decision making

P13 support recommendations with accurate, complete and current information including the promotion of benefits and implications of proposed solutions

P14 confirm that the appropriate person(s) understanding of recommendations and the implications associated with decisions on the selection, installation and maintenance of fire protection systems

P15 advise on action required to meet legal and statutory requirements and the implications of non-compliance

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**Knowledge and understanding**

K1    the relevant legislative framework, consultation procedures and other mechanisms for achieving fire protection within existing, proposed and altered premises

K2    own personal level of competence, expertise, authority and limitations

K3    sources of specialist advice and how to access these

K4    the steps you would take to work in partnership with the appropriate people in order to achieve a satisfactory level of fire safety

K5    the role of systems in protecting people, property and the environment from fire

K6    national and international standards, codes of practice, guidance and legislation that address protection of people, property and the environment from fire

K7    the limitations of codes of practice and guidance when providing complex fire safety measures and proposals, and the use of fire risk assessment to justify departures from such codes

K8    the common causes of fire and the significance of the common causes in a range of occupancies

K9    how to assess the potential extent for fire incidents and the impact upon the premises

K10   how to access sources of specialist support, advice and information

K11   the factors affecting the formulation of risk-appropriate solutions within organisational constraints, for the protection of people, property and the environment

K12   the role and interests of stakeholders in the protection of people, property and the environment from fire

K13   the range of options available and their capabilities and limitations in protecting people, property and the environment from fire

K14   how to prioritise options for fire protection to address assessed levels of risk having regard to other influencing factors

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