

# SOLUTIONS ON FIRE

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## A Fire Risk Assessor & Manager was Jailed for 8 Months Following Unsuitable Fire Risk Assessment

Manager of two hotels and external fire risk assessor were prosecuted because the fire risk assessment that had been carried out proved that they had failed to identify a number of significant deficiencies which would have placed the occupants at serious risk in the event of a fire. To see our full comment...[click here for more](#)

We say: "Too many offences went unnoticed in this case, the manager could have done a better job with the correct training"

## A BBC Investigation Learned That Dozens of Care Homes Fail to Achieve Even Basic Fire Safety Standards. SEE VIDEO!

Approximately 29 care homes were discovered to be breaching the law, in which London Fire Brigade issues legal enforcement notices, forcing them to make changes. Firefighters consider care homes (after hospitals) to present the biggest risks to life as residents are often elderly or ill...[click here for more](#)

We say: "Occupancy profile is an extremely important factor to be taken into account when carrying out your risk assessment"

## A Landlord was Ordered to Pay £42,000 After Pleading Guilty to 20 Offences

City Council officers visited the flats and found dangerous problems including a missing fire door, gaps large enough for a person to fall through to the floor below and cables dangling from the ceilings. He was fined £33,750 and costs of £8,500. The flats were in such a bad condition that the council served an emergency prohibition order...[click here for more](#)

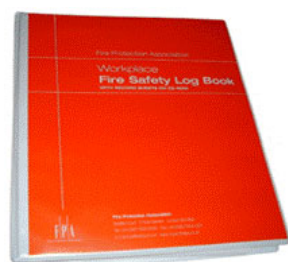
We say: "The Responsible Person needs to be aware of their responsibilities and to take them seriously."

## See this VIDEO of a Massive Explosion which Destroyed a Row of Houses

Firefighter released this shocking footage of an explosion that was caused by an electrical fault. Residents had just seconds before been evacuated after one resident called the fire service after a small kitchen fire started up. The blast happened just yards from a group of firemen...[click here for more](#)

We say: "A small fire is where it starts. Assess your risks to ensure that a fire doesn't start in the first place."

## SPECIAL FEATURE: The Fire Safety Log Book



Although there is no legal requirement for an organisation to own a Fire Safety Log Book, it is the Responsible Persons duty to be able to demonstrate that all fire safety facilities, equipment, devices and staff training are being tested and maintained and in good working order. The Order requires that all significant issues are capable of being audited. The Fire Safety Log Book is a great device for this purpose; to accumulate an account of past, current and future records. Not only does it provide a clear and concise report for the Fire & Rescue Service, it will (and even more importantly) help organisations understand and adopt a fire safety society. All Fire Safety Log Books are different. The saying applies 'you get what you pay for'...[click here for more](#)

### Looking for Fire Safety Signs?

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### Managing Fire Safety Training

Date: Wednesday 24th August

Location: Basildon, Essex

Cost: £75.00 + VAT per delegate

### Responsible Person Training

Date: Wed 10th & Thurs 11th August

Location: Basildon, Essex

Cost: £149.95 +VAT per delegate

### Fire Warden Training

Date: Tuesday 27th September

Location: Basildon, Essex

Cost: £55.00 + VAT per delegate

