

Fire Safety Awareness

QCF Level 1 Award (England, Northern Ireland and Wales)

FAA Level 1 Award in Fire Safety Awareness (QCF) Code: 600/8133/8

Unit 1 title: Fire Safety Awareness Unit code: Y/601/9697



You will, no doubt, be well aware of the potentially devastating effects of fires in the workplace in terms of lives lost, injuries, damage to property and the environment, and to the business continuity. You may also be aware that it is believed that most fires are preventable.

The importance of fire safety in the workplace is underpinned by health and safety legislation that places a duty on employers to establish policies and procedures and ensure their employees receive appropriate training.

This course is designed for all employees as an introduction to fire awareness and is an excellent ingredient in the induction programme of new employees. It deals with how fires can occur and what to do in the event of a fire. The qualification also provides a foundation for those employees who want to develop their basic fire safety awareness in order to assist their employer by undertaking more specific fire safety roles in the workplace to manage fire risk (e.g. as fire wardens/marshals/stewards etc).

Successful candidates will be awarded a national level 1 qualification.

Duration

A minimum of 4 contact hours in the classroom.

Syllabus

A range of subjects is covered including:

- The common causes of fire
- The behaviour of fire
- Legislation (brief) and responsibilities
- Fire prevention
- What to do if a fire breaks out
- How to use fire extinguishers
- Emergency evacuation procedures

Certification

A Level 1 national qualification, (Level 4 in Scotland), will be issued to the learner, subject to successfully completing the test paper .

Numbers

A maximum of 16 students are allowed. The certificate will expire as dated on the certificate, irrespective of age.



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LEARNING OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA
The learner will:	The learner can:
1. Understand basic fire safety and what to do in the event of an emergency	1.1 State the main causes of fires in the workplace 1.2 Outline the main costs of fires in the workplace for employers, employees and society 1.3 State their own duties and responsibilities in relation to fire safety at work 1.4 State the duties and responsibilities of fire wardens and other people who may be required to take action as part of fire risk controls or during an emergency 1.5 Describe the action to be taken in the event of a fire in the workplace, including methods of raising the alarm and contacting the emergency services
2. Understand the principles of fire risk control	 2.1 List the key elements for effective fire risk management in the workplace 2.2 Outline how the components of the fire triangle can be used to control fire risks 2.3 List active and passive fire risk control measures 2.4 Outline fire prevention measures that can be taken to minimise fire risks
3. Understand the basics of practical fire safety	3.1 State the safe operating parameters for the use of portable firefighting equipment3.2 Outline simple checks for ensuring that fire safety equipment is serviceable and safe to use