

Fire Safety Inspection Checklist

Comprehensive Workplace Fire Safety Audit

INSPECTION DETAILS

PREMISES NAME: _____ INSPECTION DATE: _____ INSPECTOR NAME: _____

AREA/DEPARTMENT: _____

INSPECTION TYPE:

Monthly Inspection Quarterly Review Annual Audit Pre-Event Check

FIRE DETECTION & ALARM SYSTEMS

Fire Alarm System Operational

Fire alarm panel shows normal operation with no fault indicators, all zones operational

Manual Call Points Accessible

All break-glass call points are unobstructed, visible, and in working condition

Smoke Detectors Clean & Functional

Smoke detectors free from dust/contamination, indicator lights functioning, no damage visible

Alarm Sounders Audible

Weekly test conducted, alarm audible throughout premises, sounders undamaged

EMERGENCY EXITS & ESCAPE ROUTES

All Exit Routes Clear

Corridors, stairwells, and exit routes free from obstruction, trip hazards, and stored materials

Fire Doors Functioning Correctly

Fire doors close fully, seals intact, self-closers working, no wedges or obstructions

Emergency Exit Doors Operational

All final exit doors open easily from inside, panic bars functional, doors not locked/secured

Exit Signage Visible & Illuminated

All emergency exit signs clearly visible, illuminated (where required), undamaged, showing correct direction

Assembly Point Clearly Marked

External assembly point(s) clearly marked, accessible, and at safe distance from building

EMERGENCY LIGHTING

Emergency Lights Operational

All emergency lighting units showing green indicators, monthly function test completed

Adequate Coverage Along Escape Routes

Emergency lighting provides sufficient illumination along all escape routes and exit doors

Annual Maintenance Up to Date

Annual discharge test and maintenance completed by competent person within last 12 months

FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Fire Extinguishers in Place

All extinguishers present in designated locations, signs visible, accessible without obstruction

Extinguishers Serviced & Tagged

All extinguishers showing current service tags (within 12 months), pressure gauges in green zone

Fire Blankets Available (if required)

Fire blankets present in kitchen areas, accessible, in good condition, within service date

Sprinkler System Operational (if fitted)

Sprinkler control valve in open position, pressure gauge normal, system maintained as per schedule

FIRE HAZARDS & HOUSEKEEPING

Combustible Materials Stored Safely

Flammable materials stored in appropriate containers, away from ignition sources, in designated areas

Waste Management Adequate

Waste bins emptied regularly, no accumulation of combustible waste, waste stored externally away from building

Electrical Equipment Safe

No overloaded sockets, damaged cables removed, PAT testing current, equipment switched off when not in use

Smoking Policy Enforced

Designated smoking areas maintained, smoking materials disposed of safely, no-smoking zones respected

DOCUMENTATION & TRAINING

Fire Risk Assessment Current

Fire risk assessment completed, reviewed within appropriate timescale, accessible to responsible person

Emergency Procedures Displayed

Fire action notices displayed at call points and prominent locations, information up to date

Fire Wardens/Marshals Appointed

Sufficient trained fire wardens for premises size, names displayed, training records current

Staff Fire Training Completed

All staff received fire safety induction, refresher training within required timescales, records maintained

Fire Drills Conducted Regularly

Fire drills conducted at required frequency (minimum annually), results recorded, lessons learned implemented

ADDITIONAL NOTES & ACTIONS REQUIRED

OVERALL INSPECTION OUTCOME

SATISFACTORY - No significant issues identified

MINOR ISSUES - Corrective actions required within 30 days

UNSATISFACTORY - Immediate corrective action required

SERIOUS RISK - Urgent remedial action and possible prohibition

DISCLAIMER

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COMPLIANCE REFERENCE

This checklist supports compliance with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (England & Wales) and Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Scotland).

Regular inspections should be conducted and documented as part of your fire safety management system.