

Fire Risk Assessment is now a legal requirement under Part 3 of the Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 and The Fire Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 which came into effect on 15th November 2010. As an appropriate person with control over non-domestic, industrial, commercial, leisure, educational or healthcare premises, this legislation requires that you take responsibility for ensuring your premises reach the required fire safety standard. AFCNI provides a comprehensive and quality fire risk assessment service that will ensure you are legally compliant, fully insured and protected from the risk of fire. The Fire Risk Assessment evaluates your premises in terms of fire safety and risk to life from fire. It must be carried out by a competent person, this is defined as someone who has suitable and sufficient training and experience in fire safety to allow them to carry out the role effectively.

Our qualified and accredited fire risk assessor will visit your premises, make a detailed physical inspection and review your fire safety records. We provide you with the Fire Risk Assessment at the review meeting where the report is explained in detail. The report will include a prioritised action plan on how to minimise the risk of fire to your business.

### **Why do I need a Fire Risk Assessment?**

- To ensure the Safety of employees and visitors to the site
- Compliance with the current Northern Ireland Fire Safety Legislation
- Protection from prosecution
- Following a fire incident this will form part of your Proof of Duty of Care
- Evidential defence in case of HSE post fire incident investigation
- To satisfy your insurance requirements.

### **Why choose AFCNI for fire risk assessments?**

Our Fire Risk Assessments have been developed in conjunction with PAS79 and related British Standards. It is designed to minimise the risk to life and covers the following safety issues:

- Identification of combustible loading
- Identification of ignition sources
- Identification of oxygen sources
- Means of escape
- Fire detection and communication
- Firefighting equipment
- Fire prevention and management including provision of relevant instruction and training
- Fire Service access
- Maintaining relevant records
- Recommendations where necessary to achieve satisfactory fire safety standards are met