# Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service Fire Safety Advice and Your Responsibilities



# Advice

Advice on how to avoid fires and how to ensure people's safety if a fire does start can be found in a series of guides which are for employers, managers, occupiers and owners of premises that are not single private dwellings. They tell you what you have to do to comply with fire safety law, help you to carry out a fire risk assessment and identify the measures 'general fire precautions' you need to have in place.

# Fire Risk Assessment

The fire risk assessment must focus on the safety in case of fire for all relevant persons, paying particular attention to those at special risk, such as disabled people, those who you know have special needs and children.

# Management

Good management of fire safety is essential to ensure that fires are unlikely to occur; that if they do occur they are likely to be controlled or contained quickly, effectively and safely; or that, if a fire does occur and grow, everyone in your premises is able to escape to a place of safety easily and quickly.

# **Further Information**

Further information can be viewed and downloaded from the government website www.gov.uk, or by following the link https://www.gov.uk/workplace-fire-safety-your-responsibilities/who-is-responsible covering;

- 1. Who's responsible
- 2. Fire risk assessment
- 3. Fire safety and evacuation plans
- 4. Fire safety equipment, drills and training
- 5. Enforcement, appeals and penalties

# For further assistance contact:

# Joint Protective Services -

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