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Building Safety Reform
What's Coming 



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Coronavirus latest – Health and Safety Executive 

11 May: 'Training' 8 June: 'Legal Update'



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Introduction



Health, safety, welfare and wellbeing has never been brought into such sharp focus as now with reports of deaths, job-losses, hardship and other suffering, a daily occurrence.

After that sombre note, hello and a very warm welcome to this, the very first Birmingham Health, Safety and Environment Association webinar.

A particular welcome to members of other safety groups affiliated to Safety Groups UK and anyone else who has joined us today.

Although our monthly face-to-face events have been cancelled for the foreseeable future we will be continuing to promote and support health and safety sharing, learning and improvement both for our Members and the wider health and safety community.

For today we are indebted to our co-hosts, Pinsent Masons, for both managing the technology and providing the speaker in the form of Sean Elson.

Sean will need no introduction to Association Members since he and Pinsent Masons have been instrumental in many of our events including our last three Annual Seminars.

Thank you for joining us today and we hope you stay safe and well.



Some background

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Grenfell – Fire (2017)

“Insulation certified as suitable”



Hendon, London – Building Collapse (2018)

“A freak accident”



Ronan Point – Gas Explosion (1968)

“Design complied with current regulations”



Boldon, Tyneside – Legionella (2015). Car parts supplier (£1.6m fine)

“Concern amongst local community”



Basildon, Essex – Wall collapse (2014). Local Council (£133k fine)

“ ... fighting for life”
“ ... ignored complaints”



Hannover Square, London (2012) Window frames left leaning against wall.

Supervisor “guilty of manslaughter”



What is good or not good? What could happen or go wrong?





What is good or not good? What could happen or go wrong?

- Hazards and risks may be:
 - Obvious or 'Hidden'
 - Only realised / revealed when something goes wrong
- Outcomes could be:
 - Sooner or Later
 - Likely or Unlikely to happen
 - Positive or Negative
- 'Hidden' may mean:
 - Weren't aware
 - Didn't look closely enough
 - Didn't ask the right questions



Building Safety Reform – What’s Coming

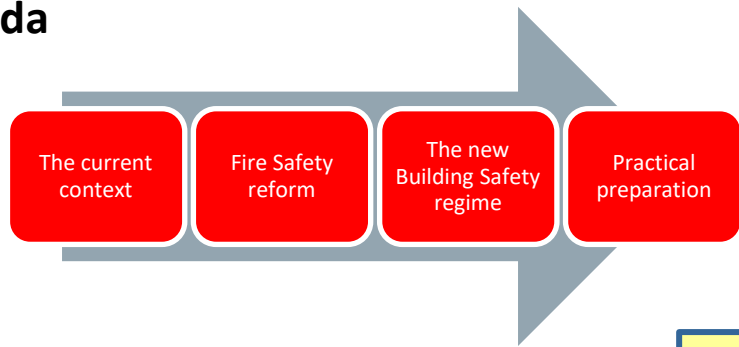
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Introduction

- What is Building Safety?
- The Building Regulations 2010 / Building Act 1984
- Minimum standards - Approved Documents
- What is building work?
- Procedure for demonstrating compliance:
 - Application / notice to Local Authority
 - Inspections / approval (Local Authority / Approved Inspectors)
 - Completion certificate
- Local Authority enforcement powers
- Other duties to manage buildings – not just about construction
- What is wrong with it and what is being done about it?

Agenda



[Link to website – presentation slides](#)



<https://www.gov.uk/search/all?keywords=fire+risk+assessment&order=relevance>

Fire safety in the workplace

Fire safety in business and non-domestic premises: the responsible person, **fire risk assessments**, shared premises, new buildings, enforcement, appeals and penalties

Fire safety risk assessment: 5-step checklist

Checklist to help people responsible for business premises to complete a **fire safety risk assessment**.

From: Home Office Updated: 5 June 2006

Fire safety risk assessment: offices and shops

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for offices and shops.

From: Home Office Updated: 5 June 2006

Fire safety risk assessment: sleeping accommodation

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for sleeping accommodation.

From: Home Office Updated: 13 December 2012

Fire safety risk assessment: factories and warehouses

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for factories and warehouses.

From: Home Office Updated: 5 June 2006

Fire safety risk assessment: residential care premises

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for residential care premises.

From: Home Office Updated: 6 July 2006

Generic risk assessment 3.5: fighting fires in farms

Generic **risk assessment** about fighting **fires** in farms to help **fire** and rescue authorities to draw up their own **risk assessments**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government and 1 others Updated: 28 June 2011

Generic risk assessment 3.7: fighting fires in refuse

Generic **risk assessment** about fighting **fires** in refuse to help **fire** and rescue authorities to draw up their own **risk assessments**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government and 1 others
Updated: 31 August 2011

Fire safety risk assessment: educational premises

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for educational premises.

From: Home Office Updated: 5 June 2006

Fire safety risk assessment: healthcare premises

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for healthcare premises.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 25 September 2006

Generic risk assessment 3.1: fighting fires in buildings

Generic **risk assessment** about fighting **fires** in buildings to help **fire** and rescue authorities to draw up their own **risk assessments**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government and 1 others
Updated: 24 March 2011

Fire safety risk assessment: animal premises and stables

Guidance about completing a **fire safety risk assessment** for people responsible for animal premises and stables.

From: Home Office Updated: 23 October 2007



'building safety' search

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<https://www.gov.uk/search/all?keywords=building+safety&order=relevance>

Building Safety Programme

The programme was established to make sure that residents of high-rise **buildings** are safe – and feel safe – now, and in the future.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 20 January 2020

New measures to improve building safety standards

Housing Secretary Robert Jenrick has announced new measures which go faster and further to improve **building safety**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 20 January 2020

Building Safety Programme: letters

Letters from the **Building Safety** Programme, established to make sure that residents of high-rise **buildings** are safe and feel safe, now and in the future.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 1 July 2019

Building safety advice for building owners, including fire doors

Advice on the measures **building** owners should take to ensure their **buildings** are safe....

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 20 January 2020

Building Safety Programme: announcements

Announcements from the **Building Safety** Programme, established to make sure that residents of high-rise **buildings** are safe and feel safe, now and in the future.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 9 May 2019

Fire safety: Approved Document B

Building regulation in England covering fire **safety** matters within and around **buildings**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 19 September 2019

Fire safety in new and existing school buildings

Information and advice about fire **safety** in new and existing school **buildings**

From: Education and Skills Funding Agency Updated: 11 March 2014

Building Safety Programme: other fire safety concerns

Information and advice for leaseholders, occupiers and **building** owners about other fire **safety** concerns raised following the Grenfell Tower fire....

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 21 November 2018

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Fire **safety** in business and non-domestic premises: the responsible person, fire risk assessments, shared premises, new **buildings**, enforcement, appeals and penalties

Fire safety in new and existing school buildings

Information and guidance about fire **safety** in new and existing school **buildings**.

From: Education and Skills Funding Agency Updated: 11 March 2014

Building Bulletin 100: design for fire safety in schools

Building Bulletin Issue 100, providing a design guide for fire **safety** in schools.

From: Education and Skills Funding Agency Updated: 11 March 2014

Fire safety of your building: advice for tenants and residents

Advice if you have concerns about the fire **safety** of your **building**.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 30 August 2017

Building Safety Programme: privacy note about data collection

Privacy note about how the **Building Safety** Programme handles data responsibly.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 9 April 2018

Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety: terms of reference

Terms of reference for the independent Review of **Building** Regulations and Fire **Safety** that was commissioned following the Grenfell Tower fire tragedy.

From: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Updated: 30 August 2017



Coronavirus – Health and Safety Executive

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<https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/coronavirus.htm>

The screenshot shows the top of the HSE website. The header is dark red with the HSE logo and 'Health and Safety Executive' text. A search bar is on the right. A navigation menu includes Home, News, Guidance (highlighted), About HSE, Books, Free updates, and Contact. Below the menu, the breadcrumb trail reads 'HSE - News - Coronavirus (COVID-19)'. A blue 'BETA' box contains the text: 'This is a new way of showing guidance - [your feedback](#) will help us improve it.' The main heading is 'Coronavirus (COVID-19): latest information and advice'. Below this, a paragraph states: 'The Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC) and Public Health England (PHE) are leading the UK government response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.' Another paragraph says: 'You can get up-to-date information about [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and what you need to do](#) on GOV.UK.'

Latest information and advice

[RIDDOR reporting of COVID-19](#)

When, what and how you should report under RIDDOR

[Face masks - face fit test](#)

A face fit test ensures that respiratory protective equipment (RPE) protects you

[Protect home workers](#)

Employers have the same responsibilities for home workers as for any other workers

[Social distancing, your business and in-work activities](#)

What steps you and your business should take during the outbreak

[Hand sanitiser - manufacture and supply](#)

Work to ensure manufacturers and supply chains can meet the increased demand

[Work equipment - examinations and testing](#)

Ensuring your work plant and equipment remain safe to use

[Research - review of PPE in healthcare settings](#)

HSE and PHE's rapid review of the evidence supporting the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) in the context of COVID-19

[Drivers - access to welfare facilities and hours rules](#)

Drivers must have access to welfare facilities and there is now a temporary limited relaxation of drivers' hours rules in place

[First aid cover and qualifications during the outbreak](#)

What you can do to comply with the law if first aid cover is reduced due to coronavirus



Next Events - Everyone welcome

We would be delighted to welcome you as a guest

Monday 11 May

Information, Instruction and Training - *Webinar*

Human Focus, Ian Pemberton, Human Focus



1.30 - 2.15pm (approx)



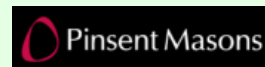
Monday 8 June

Legal Update and Refresher - *Webinar*

Louise Mansfield, Pinsent Masons



1.30 - 2.15pm (approx)



NOTE:

Reminder and joining instructions will be sent out well before.

Newsletter, presentation slides etc will follow on the BHSEA website.

14 Sep: Machinery and Work Equipment Safety
- Anthony Bowmer, EEF

12 Oct: Construction Matters

09 Nov: Environment Update and Refresher

14 Dec: Members Challenges and Achievements – What, why and how

Details to follow in due course



- Stay safe
- Stay well
- Stay with the guidance
- Stay in touch