

## **Product Information Sheet**

# **SFJ Awards Level 3 Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditors)**

#### Overview

This qualification is aimed at those who are new to working in a fire safety role and wish to build their knowledge and gain recognition of their competence, or those already working in the sector with no formal qualification. This qualification can be completed by both operational and non-operational staff working in a relevant role.

#### **Entry Requirements**

Candidates should be in a fire safety role and have a basic understanding of fire/health and safety. No previous fire safety qualifications/experience is required, although it would be advantageous.

#### **Qualification Overview**

This qualification is designed to accredit the skills and knowledge required for fire safety, with specific reference to the work of fire auditors.

The qualification consists of six mandatory units, which give learners a total of 26 credits. The units are as follows:

- Plan and gather evidence for the purpose of fire safety regulation in simple premises
- Visit simple premises for the purposes of fire safety regulation
- Assess risks associated with fire in simple premises
- Identify and report hazards and risks associated with fire in simple premises
- Confirm measures are in place to protect people from fire in simple premises
- Review fire protection systems in simple premises

#### Duration

It is estimated that an average candidate will need to spend approximately 260 hours (5 hours a week over a 12-month period) to complete this qualification. This includes preparation, research, study and assessment time. This time does not need to be under the supervision of a tutor and can vary based on the candidate's ability and level of existing knowledge.



#### **Unit Information**

## L3-FS-01: Plan and gather evidence for the purpose of fire safety regulation in simple premises

This unit is about the planning, gathering and collating of appropriate, accurate and relevant evidence in order to prepare for enforcement action or other formal proceedings. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments.

To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand requirements for planning and gathering evidence for the purpose of fire safety regulation in simple premises
- Be able to plan and prepare the gathering of evidence for fire safety regulation in relation to simple premises
- Be able to gather evidence for the purpose of fire safety regulation in relation to simple premises
- Be able to collate evidence for the purpose of fire safety regulation in relation to simple premises

#### <u>L3-FS-02</u>: Visit simple premises for the purposes of fire safety regulation

This unit is about planning and conducting audits or inspections of premises for the purposes of fire safety regulation; identifying potential breaches of the legislation and deciding the action self and owner[s]/occupier[s] need to take, which may include informal and formal enforcement of fire safety legislation. The individual will also prepare effective inspection reports for the purposes of fire safety regulation and communicate fire safety compliance or deficiencies to others for the purposes of the regulation. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments.

To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand requirements for visiting simple premises for the purposes of fire safety regulation
- Be able to prepare for a visit to simple premises
- Be able to visit simple premises to carry out audits and inspections
- Be able to report on the conduct and findings of the visit to simple premises

## L3-FS-03: Assess risks associated with fire in simple premises

This unit is about the practitioner, either on their own or in co-operation with others, ensuring that, as far as is reasonably practical, everyone on the premises can escape safely in the event of a fire. This will also include making certain that the risk reduction, fire precautions and maintenance routines are sustainable. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments. Individuals will be working within their personal level of responsibility for advice, information and enforcement issues.

To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand requirements for assessing fire risks associated with simple premises
- Understand processes and guidance relevant to fire risk assessment in simple premises
- Be able to evaluate fire hazards and risks in simple premises
- Be able to agree solutions to minimise risks from fire in simple premises

#### L3-FS-04: Identify and report hazards and risks associated with fire in simple premises

This unit is about identifying fire hazards, and contributing to continuous risk assessment by regular review, monitoring and reporting to ensure that risk reduction measures, fire precautions and maintenance routines are sustained. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments. Individuals will work within a pre-determined location and with a defined level of responsibility and authority.



To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand requirements for identifying and reporting hazards and risks associated with fire in simple premises
- Understand control measures to mitigate the risks from fire in simple premises
- Be able to identify fire hazards and risks in simple premises
- Be able to report fire hazards and risks in simple premises

## L3-FS-05: Confirm measures are in place to protect people from fire in simple premises

This unit is about ensuring that required fire safety resources are available, including active and passive fire protection systems. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments. Implementation will be in accordance with a pre-determined risk assessment and risk management system to ensure that the risk reduction, fire precautions and maintenance routines are sustained.

To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand requirements for the protection of people from fire in simple premises
- Be able to ensure resources are available to manage fire risks in simple premises

#### L3-FS-06: Review fire protection systems in simple premises

This unit is about advising on management control systems and practices, and active and passive systems affording protection from fire to people, property and the environment. It includes the range of resources and equipment available relevant to the prevention, control, containment or elimination of outbreak of fire or related incidents. It applies to simple as opposed to complex premises and environments. Individuals will work within their personal level of responsibility and authority for providing advice and information and dealing with compliance issues.

To achieve this unit, you will need to:

- Understand legislative and organisational requirements applicable to fire protection systems in simple premises
- Understand procedures and processes for reviewing matters relating to fire protection systems in simple premises
- Be able to evaluate fire risks in simple premises
- Be able to recommend options to support appropriate risk reduction measures, fire precautions and maintenance routines in simple premises

#### Information You Will Need to Know

There are some core documents you will need to know and understand to be able to successfully achieve this qualification. These are:

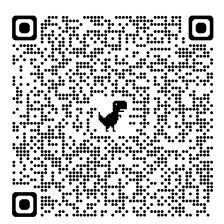
- Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005
- DCLG Fire safety risk assessment guides
- Regulators' Code
- Enforcement Management Model (EMM)

Links to each of these documents can be found on the following page, in addition to quick access QR Codes.



Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005

https://www.gov.uk/government/calls-for-evidence/the-regulatory-reform-fire-safety-order-2005-call-for-evidence/outcome/the-regulatory-reform-fire-safety-order-2005-summary-of-responses-accessible-version



DCLG Fire safety risk assessment guides

https://www.gov.uk/workplace-fire-safety-your-responsibilities/fire-risk-assessments



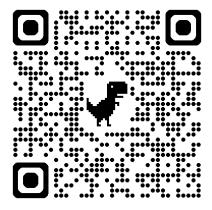
Regulators' Code

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/regulators-code



Enforcement Management Model (EMM)

https://www.hse.gov.uk/enforce/enforcement-management-model.htm





## **Delivery and Assessment**

Semester Learning and Development (Semester) offer the SFJ Awards Level 3 Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditor) qualification via distance learning. This method of delivery and assessment is appropriate for those candidates who require a flexible approach to learning and achieving a qualification. Candidates will have access to a vocationally competent tutor/assessor throughout their course duration and will be supported through the completion of all six units.

Work will be allocated to you through our online ePortfolio solution (OneFile) and learning resources will be made available through our LMS (Learning Management System). You will also have access to your tutor/assessor via MS Teams or the phone. In certain circumstances, tutors/assessors may be available to support you out of normal business hours, if arranged in advance.

The knowledge elements of the course are assessed against the learning outcomes and assessment criteria of each unit, which will be completed using Semester developed assignments and assessments.

The practical elements of the course are assessed against the learning outcomes and assessment criteria of each unit, which will be completed using evidence you generate in the workplace.

## What Will I Need, to Complete the Qualification?

To complete this qualification, you will need to be working in an operational or non-operational fire safety role. You will also need access to a computer or tablet, capable of accessing the internet and making video calls. To enable you to complete this qualification within the 12-month duration, you will need to dedicate approximately 5 hours per week to studying or completing assignments and assessments.

Course Title: SFJ Awards Level 3 Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditor)

**Qualification Number: 600/8395/5** 

**Course Duration: 12 months** 

Total Qualification Time (TQT): 260 hours (approximately)

Course Cost: £1407.99 + VAT

## **How to Apply**

To express an interest in this qualification, please visit our website and complete an online expression of interest form:

https://semesterlearning.picsweb.co.uk/Guest/SignUp/Applicant/078be577eee7489888b981821eb2e93e

