



Job Description

Role Title	Protection Technical Officer
Department	Protection
Responsible to	Building Safety Team Lead / Service Delivery and Improvement Lead
Job Level	Band 5

Summary Purpose

As a member of NFCC Protection, you will support the overall outcomes of the team set out in the HO and NFCC deliverables. You will play an active role in the review of technical fire safety solutions and liaison with outside bodies and internal departments. The team takes the lead in developing standards and policy guidance in this important area of the FRS regulatory activities with a focus on the protection of the public and firefighters. The role requires significant liaison with FRS, Government and external stakeholders whilst working closely with colleagues in the NFCC.

Key responsibilities / level of accountability for delivery

- You will be responsible for supporting the Protection team to deliver on the Home Office and NFCC deliverables and being part of the overall functioning of the Protection team.
- You will be accountable for supporting technical workstreams and progressing these for sign off and on occasions signing off workloads within your level of responsibility. You will be developing policies, procedures and guidance on technical fire safety matters and making sure that this represents FRS views whilst balancing the wider stakeholder environment.
- You are responsible for planning and organising personal workloads to ensure that both routine and unexpected tasks are completed promptly and reporting anticipated difficulties in meeting deadlines.
- You will identify and agree personal development needs in accordance with current policies, seeking opportunities and discussing them with the line manager. This will include monitoring your own performance against agreed indicators and objectives.



Key outputs including typical timeframes

- One of the key outputs from the role will be to support the delivery of the Home Office and NFCC deliverables. You will influence the development of policy, procedures and guidance for the regulation of the built environment working with external committees, government, research institutions and multiple stakeholders from the protection environment whilst promoting Protection team objectives.
- Integral to everything you do will be supporting fire and rescue services on a range of fire safety matters through leading on and contributing to peer reviews and representing their views through the work that you produce. This will involve leading on the development of guidance to support FRS to effectively regulate under the Fire Safety Order and new legislation including the preparation and amendment of technical documents in the light of new and revised British Standards, Approved Documents, Codes of Practice etc.
- You will need to be able to prepare and deliver presentations, briefing notes and reports to a wide audience, both internally and externally, on a range of fire safety issues at meetings, conferences, workshops and research events.

Key Relationships

- You will have a key role in representing the NFCC and ultimately UK FRS with a range of stakeholders from government, fire sector organisations to public interest bodies. You will have responsibility for ensuring a proactive approach to representing the NFCC in a positive light, in accordance with NFCC procedures, protocols, values and aims.
- You will have excellent communication skills and have a proven record of accomplishment in developing effective working relationships. You will utilise these skills to effectively promote NFCC Protection and FRS messaging and ensuring the successful completion of HO and NFCC deliverables.
- You will attend the regular meetings we have with government departments, FRS regional and national groups and on occasion may act as chair and coordinator for their delivery.

Education, Qualifications, Experience

- You will have an in-depth knowledge of Protection and will have been functioning in a Protection arena.
- You will have qualifications to match your experience and ideally be level 4 diploma qualified and have further technical qualifications such as level 5 fire engineering design or equivalent.
- You will have extensive experience of undertaking research, analysing information and providing concise written summaries of findings.



- You will have experience of applying technical codes and standards in an enforcement environment with a detailed knowledge of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. This will include the development and application of enforcement policies, procedures and guidance relating to fire safety legislation on a national level. This will be combined with a detailed knowledge of the building safety regime.

Behaviours and Values

- Be a champion of inclusion, equality and diversity, committed to creating safe working environments where individuals flourish, develop and thrive.
- Drive to make a real difference across our communities.
- Treat people with respect and trust and empower staff to do a great job.
- Take ownership and responsibility for actions and learn from mistakes.
- Act with integrity at all times.
- Use your significant expertise to shape safety for our communities and support our members.