

FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

The law requires that we have a suitable and sufficient assessment of the fire hazards and risks at all RNLI premises, and of the control measures we carry out to eliminate or reduce those dangers.



1. HOT WORKS PERMIT

A permit must be obtained by anyone carrying out a task that has the potential to start a fire.



2. EMERGENCY LIGHTING AND ALARMS

Fire alarms detect fires quickly and give a loud clear warning allowing you to escape promptly. Emergency lighting lights up escape routes, signs and safety equipment. **If you notice a problem with these, tell your manager.**



3. TESTING

All fire detection systems and emergency lighting must be tested and maintained by a competent person, and all work must be recorded.

Have yours been tested recently?



5. COMPARTMENTALISATION

Smoke kills. To stop its spread, you must ensure that fire doors are not propped or wedged open. All fire doors should be properly closed when premises are empty.



4. FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Only people trained to use and maintain firefighting equipment should do so, unless used to self-rescue if trapped by fire. **Report any equipment defects to your manager.**



6. TRAINING

As part of your induction, all RNLI staff and volunteers should receive training in how to raise a fire alarm and how to evacuate. **Have you had yours?** If not, ask your manager. In addition, key staff will receive specific training in the prevention and fighting of fire. **Do you know who your Fire Marshal is?**



7. AUDIT AND INSPECTION

The RNLI's SHE Team will undertake inspections, audits and investigations to identify areas for improvement and opportunities for sharing good practice. **If you have a concern or an idea, please speak up – you may save a life. Contact details are below.**



8. EVACUATION

Fire drills will take place at least 6 monthly. **Do you know your main and alternative exit routes and assembly points?** If you are an individual that requires assistance to evacuate a premises then a Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP) will be produced.



Lifeboats

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