

Will your fire extinguishers work in an emergency? Ensure your fire extinguisher provider is competent

Using a **BAFE SP101** registered provider can help you meet your fire safety obligations under national fire safety legislation and can be used as a clear statement of requirements when sourcing competent providers **for fire extinguisher services.**

The BAFE SP101 scheme certifies the Competency of Portable Fire Extinguisher Organisations and their employed Technicians. This includes sourcing the right extinguishers for your building, commissioning, positioning, installation and ongoing maintenance to ensure they perform correctly in the event of a fire.

BAFE Fire Extinguisher Technicians working for an SP101 registered organisation will have achieved the BAFE Diploma. This is the defining award for fire extinguisher technicians to assure their competence and skill to provide this service.



BAFE is the independent register of quality fire safety service providers, certificated to ensure competence to help meet your fire safety obligations.



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Fire Extinguishers

Legal requirements and Information

England and Wales

*"The responsible person must ensure that the premises are, to the extent that it is appropriate, **equipped with appropriate fire-fighting equipment** and with fire detectors and alarms"*

- The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 Part 2, Article 13

*"Where necessary in order to safeguard the safety of relevant persons the responsible person must ensure that the premises and any facilities, equipment and devices provided...are subject to a suitable system of maintenance and are **maintained in an efficient state, in efficient working order** and in good repair."*

- The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 Part 2, Article 17

"The types of [fire fighting] equipment you need depend on your business premises. You'll need to have any equipment properly installed, tested and maintained and train your staff to use them if necessary."

- GOV.UK Fire safety in the workplace

Scotland

*"Where necessary (whether due to the features of the relevant premises, the activity carried on there, any hazard present or any other relevant circumstances) in order to ensure the safety of relevant persons in respect of harm caused by fire, a person with duties under section 53 or 54 **must ensure that the relevant premises are, to the extent that it is appropriate, equipped with appropriate means for fighting fire** and means for giving warning in the event of fire."*

- The Fire Safety (Scotland) Regulations 2006 PART III, Regulation 12

"Portable fire-fighting equipment may be provided for use by persons. There are third party certification schemes for fire-fighting equipment; this can give some assurance of quality."

- GOV.SCOT Practical Fire Safety Guidance for Existing Non-Residential Premises

Northern Ireland

*"A person with duties under Article 25 or 26 shall ensure that the relevant premises are, to the extent that it is appropriate, **equipped with appropriate means for fighting fire** and means for giving warning in the event of fire; and any non-automatic fire-fighting equipment so provided is easily accessible, simple to use and indicated by signs."*

- The Fire Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 Part 3, Regulation 12

*"Where necessary in order to ensure the safety of relevant persons in respect of harm caused by fire the person with duties under Article 25 or 26 shall ensure that the relevant premises and any facilities, equipment and devices provided...are subject to a suitable system of maintenance and are **maintained in an efficient state, in efficient working order** and in good repair."*

- The Fire Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 Part 3, Regulation 16

"You must ensure that the premises are equipped to an appropriate level... means of fighting fires; and arrangements for action to be taken in the event of fire."

- Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (NI) Fire Safety Law Guidance Document

For further information please visit www.bafe.org.uk