



FIRE RISK ASSESSMENTS

**A NATIONWIDE SERVICE
DELIVERED BY
LOCAL AUTHORITY
BUILDING CONTROL**



ACCREDITED PROFESSIONALS DELIVERING A LOCAL SERVICE

- Protect your building users, portfolio, company and yourself
- Mitigate your risk
- FRACS (Fire Risk Assessors Certification Scheme) accredited fire risk assessors
- Fire risk assessors in every county across England and Wales
- Excellent value and service



The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (otherwise known as the FSO) applies to most non-domestic premises used or operated by employers, the self employed and the voluntary sector within England and Wales.

WHY DO YOU NEED A FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT?

The FSO requires that a 'responsible person' (usually the employer, occupier, owner or site manager) should take reasonable steps to reduce the risk of fire and ensure safe escape. This means that the 'responsible person' should:

- ensure adequate safety training is provided at all times
- reduce the risks of fire hazards
- make a suitable and sufficient assessment of the fire hazards

and risks and identify general fire precautions.

AVOID PROSECUTION

As businesses and property owners continue to be prosecuted for breaches of the FSO, it's vital that the 'responsible person' ensures their premises meet fire safety regulations. Currently, anyone can provide a fire risk assessment. This has meant that people with very little or no formal training and experience have been able to trade as fire risk assessors. Unfortunately using an untrained and inexperienced assessor will not provide mitigation in court.

Worse still, lives could be put at risk

So how do you choose an assessor with confidence and ease?

PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE ON YOUR DOORSTEP

LABC Consult has over 100 fire risk assessors across England and Wales, who are independently accredited by the Warrington Fire Risk Assessors Certification Scheme (FRACS) – a quality assurance scheme for companies offering fire risk assessment services.



Our accredited fire risk assessors are also fully qualified and practising Building Control surveyors (RICS, ABE or CIOB qualified) with years of practical experience and knowledge of construction, structural fire safety and fire strategy.



THE LABC CONSULT FIRE RISK ASSESSMENTS SERVICE

The LABC Consult Fire Risk Assessments service is designed for managers or owners with single properties, national estates, local authority estates, registered social landlords, multi-site or large/complex building managers, office/facilities managers, site officers, and health and safety professionals.

This service is applicable to:

- / Hospitals, GP practices and nursing homes
- / Care homes and sheltered housing
- / Commercial offices, retail, and distribution
- / Large property portfolios
- / All other non-domestic properties

LABC's accredited approach:

- all fire risk assessors are professionally qualified Building Control surveyors
- we provide formal training using industry experts
- our fire risk assessors follow an accredited methodology for all assessments
- the LABC Consult Fire Risk Assessment service is independently certified for competence by Warrington Certification's FRACS scheme
- LABC uses an ISO 9001 quality management system to cover all aspects of client service, account management and administration.

WHY CHOOSE LABC CONSULT?

You will have access to over 3,000 technical experts in England and Wales making LABC Consult the best supported choice when you want to use external services.

IS LABC CONSULT BUSINESS MINDED?

The answer is definitely "Yes". We have been in competition with the private sector for almost 30 years. During this time we've modernised our service, developed public/private partnerships, adopted shared service working and have become leaner and much more customer focussed. Nothing in the Building Regulations or the Approved Documents is prescriptive. All our teams enjoy helping with innovation and finding answers to design conundrums. We take a real pride in seeing good buildings delivered in our communities. After three decades of competition we still retain 70% market share. This is because we have adapted, listened to what customers say and readily adopted advances and innovation.



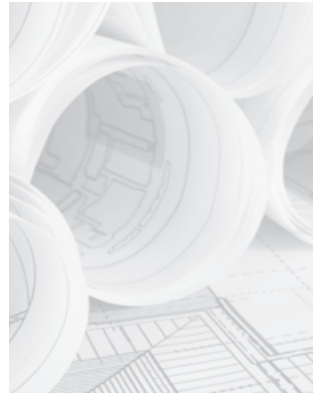
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the Fire Risk Assessments service
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**Find out more at
www.labc.uk.com/consult**

HOW DOES LABC OPERATE?

Make contact with us and we will ask you to describe the project or task you have in mind. We will then contact the right teams in the LABC network to help you and establish your direct relationship with them.



LABC represents all local authority building control teams in England and Wales who work with industry and building professionals to ensure compliance with the Building Regulations. There are 3,000 surveyors working in LABC providing a consistent national service that is delivered at a local level.