

Fire laws still a mystery to most.

The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, which became law on 1 October 2006 is reported to be little understood by most employers. According to a report issued by the Fire Industry Association over three quarters of those questioned said that they were unsure of the requirements of the Order.

Due to the unforgiving nature of fire, the Order is of particular relevance to employers and high on their list of legal obligations. It is estimated that over 50% of businesses which sustain a significant fire fail to recover fully and are forced to close two years after the incident.

Here's how St John Ambulance can help:

St John Ambulance Fire marshal course

The Order requires that employers provide sufficient numbers of fire marshals. St John Ambulance runs a Fire marshal course which gives an insight into the new Fire Regulations and general fire precautions and, importantly, trains students to be effective fire marshals. The course, which has been approved by the Institute of Fire Engineers, lasts four hours and is delivered by experienced trainers with a fire safety background. It costs just £80 plus VAT per person. The course has been very popular and St John Ambulance has trained more than 15,000 fire marshals since the law came into force. Tel: 08700 10 49 50 or visit www.sja.org.uk for more details.

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