

National Association for Safety and Health in Care Services

For Immediate Release

Guidance for Residential Care Premises Operators

The National Association for Safety and Health in Care Services (NASHiCS) and the Chief Fire Officers' Association (CFOA) have teamed up to develop additional guidance created for operators of residential care premises.

The additional guidance was produced to accompany the Communities and Local Government (CLG) guide, entitled [Fire Safety Risk Assessment - Residential Care Premises](#). The CLG guide was published so operators knew how to comply with the Fire Safety Order (FSO) 2005.

David Hulton, Lead member of the NASHiCS Fire Safety Working Group said: 'It was felt that certain parts of the CLG guide required further clarification to allow residential care operators to fully understand their role within the FSO.

"NASHiCS are very pleased that this guidance document is now being launched as it will provide valuable additional information for residential care premise operators."

The CFOA Enforcement Group were also involved in the production of the additional guidance and the Chair of the Group, Nick Coombe said today, "It has taken a long time and a lot of hard work from a number of people to get us this far. All at CFOA are delighted that the document is now complete."

The additional guidance document can be downloaded from both the NASHiCS and CFOA websites but using the links below.

NASHiCS <http://www.nashics.org/documents?id=23641652>

CFOA: <http://www.cfoa.org.uk/11541>)

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The Chief Fire Officers' Association (CFOA)

CFOA is the professional voice of the UK fire and rescue service, supporting its members to fulfil their leadership role in protecting our local communities and making life safer through improved service delivery. CFOA provides professional advice to inform government policy and is committed to developing both strategic and technical guidance and sharing notable practice within the wider FRS.

Membership of the Association comprises almost all the senior management of fire and rescue services in the United Kingdom. CFOA is the driving force in managing change and implementing reforms in the service.

National Association for Safety and Health in Care Services (NASHiCS)

The National Association for Safety and Health in Care Services (NASHiCS) focuses on the many aspects of Health and Safety affecting the Care Sector.

NASHiCS was formed in October 2004 from the National Social Care Health and Safety Forum.

The main aims of the Association are to promote and improve health and safety within care services, to provide a forum for individuals and organisations involved in any aspect of health and safety and to facilitate the exchange and sharing of information, experience and expertise.

They are also involved in the development of professional standards by formulating and publishing guidelines, policy papers and authoritative statements.

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