BLACK MOUNTAIN

TRAINING ACADEMY

REGULATED FIRE SAFETY & COUNTER-TERRORISM QUALIFICATIONS

Taught by practitioners. Recognised nationally. Level 2 to Level 5.



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01 · THE ACADEMY

QUALIFICATIONS BUILT BY PEOPLE WHO DO THE WORK

Black Mountain Training Academy is the training arm of Black Mountain Fire Group: an SFJ Awards Approved Centre delivering regulated fire safety and counter-terrorism qualifications from Level 2 to Level 5.

Our tutors are working fire engineers, fire risk assessors and former fire service officers. They assess buildings, write fire strategies and deal with enforcing authorities every week. That is the experience learners take back to their own workplace.

The Academy sits alongside a BAFE SP205 registered consultancy. Course content is drawn from real buildings, real fire risk assessments and real enforcement cases, not from slides alone.

Every qualification is awarded by SFJ Awards and regulated by Ofqual. Learners leave with a nationally recognised certificate and evidence of competence that employers, insurers and certification bodies understand.

SFJ AWARDS

Approved Centre 2010215

Regulated qualifications in fire safety, fire risk assessment, fire engineering and counter-terrorism.

PRACTITIONER-LED

Taught by active consultants

Tutors who hold the qualifications they teach and use them every day.

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Welsh and English delivery

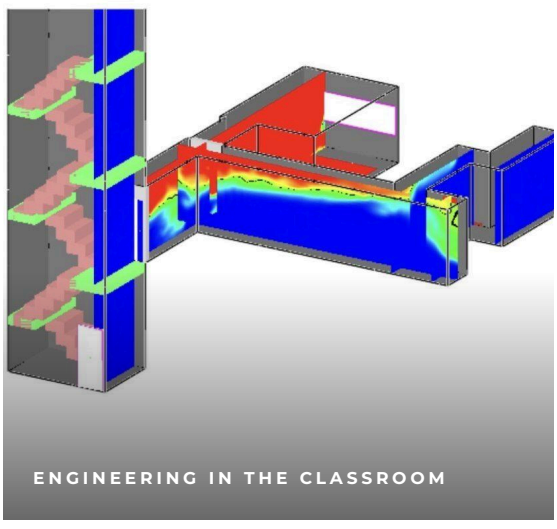
Courses and assessment available through the medium of Welsh.

L2–5
REGULATED LEVELS

11
SFJ AWARDS QUALIFICATIONS

20+
YEARS OF TUTOR FIRE SAFETY EXPERIENCE

2
LANGUAGES OF DELIVERY



ENGINEERING IN THE CLASSROOM



OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCE

02 · WHY TRAIN WITH US

EIGHT REASONS TO LEARN WITH BLACK MOUNTAIN

Fire safety competence is under more scrutiny than ever. The Building Safety Act 2022 and BS 8674:2025 put competence at the centre of fire safety, and Martyn's Law will bring new duties for qualifying premises and events.

01 **Regulated and recognised**
SFJ Awards qualifications on the Ofqual register, recognised across the UK.

02 **Practitioner tutors**
Taught by working fire engineers and assessors, not career trainers.

03 **Enforcement insight**
Led by a former fire safety enforcement officer and building regulations fire safety officer.

04 **Certified practice**
Backed by a BAFE SP205 registered organisation and NFRAR Advanced assessors.

05 **A clear pathway**
Progress from Level 2 awareness to Level 5 fire engineering design.

06 **Real case material**
Heritage, high-rise, care, industrial and film and TV premises.

07 **Flexible delivery**
Open courses, in-house programmes for your team, and blended study.

08 **Through the medium of Welsh**
Learning and assessment available in Welsh or English.

PROTECT · EDUCATE · INSPIRE

03 · QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

ONE PATHWAY, LEVEL 2 TO LEVEL 5

Start where your role is today and progress as your responsibilities grow. Each column is a career route; each row is a regulated level.

LEVEL	FIRE SAFETY MANAGEMENT	FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT	AUDIT, INSPECTION & ENGINEERING	COUNTER-TERRORISM
LEVEL 5			**Diploma in Fire Engineering Design (Technician)** 603/1369/9	
LEVEL 4		**Certificate in Fire Risk Assessment** 610/6795/7 **Diploma in Fire Risk Assessment** 610/6796/9	**Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditors)** 600/8396/7 **Diploma in Fire Safety (Fire Inspectors)** 600/8407/8	
LEVEL 3	**Award in Fire Safety Management** 603/2441/7	**Certificate in Fire Risk Assessment** 610/5745/9	**Introductory Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditors)** 603/6441/5	**Award in Counter-Terrorism Protective Security & Preparedness (CTPSaP)** Police & NaCTSO endorsed
LEVEL 2	**Award in Fire Safety Principles** 601/3921/3			**Award in Counter-Terrorism Protective Security Awareness (CTPSA)** One day

WHO STARTS AT LEVEL 2

Staff, fire marshals and anyone who needs a sound grounding in fire safety or protective security.

WHO STARTS AT LEVEL 3–4

Responsible persons, facilities and estates managers, housing officers, auditors and fire risk assessors.

WHO STARTS AT LEVEL 5

Experienced practitioners moving into fire engineering design and technical fire strategy work.

Qualification numbers are Ofqual references. Progression depends on the entry requirements in each SFJ Awards qualification specification; we will advise on the right starting point.



BECOME A COMPETENT FIRE RISK ASSESSOR

Level 3 to Level 4, aligned with BS 8674:2025, the code of practice for the competence of individual fire risk assessors.

LEVEL
3

CERTIFICATE IN FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

The foundation for carrying out fire risk assessments of simple premises. Covers fire science, legislation, hazard identification, means of escape, fire protection measures and how to record and communicate findings.

QUALIFICATION
610/5745/9

IDEAL FOR
New assessors, duty holders

LEVEL
4

CERTIFICATE IN FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

For assessors working on a wider range of premises with more complex layouts, occupancies and fire safety systems. Builds the judgement needed to set proportionate, prioritised action plans.

QUALIFICATION
610/6795/7

IDEAL FOR
Practising assessors

LEVEL
4

DIPLOMA IN FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

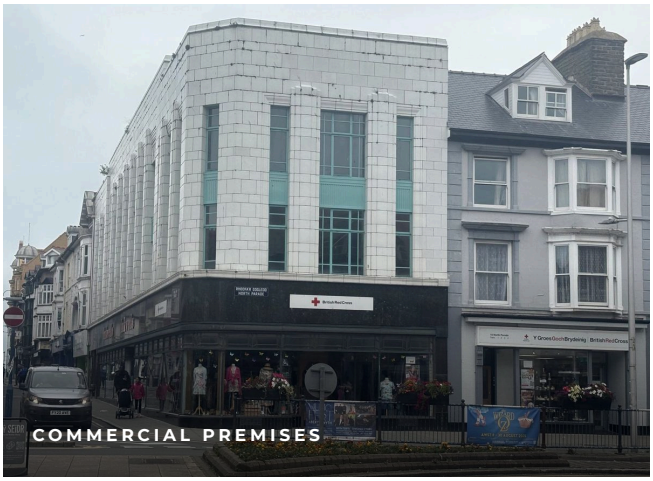
Our most comprehensive assessor qualification, for complex and higher-risk premises including residential buildings, sleeping risk and mixed use. Includes a substantial practical assessment of a real building.

QUALIFICATION
610/6796/9

IDEAL FOR
Senior and lead assessors



SLEEPING RISK



COMMERCIAL PREMISES

05 · FIRE SAFETY MANAGEMENT & AUDITING

FROM RESPONSIBLE PERSON TO FIRE INSPECTOR

For those who manage fire safety in their own premises, and for those who audit and inspect it in others.

LEVEL **2**

AWARD IN FIRE SAFETY PRINCIPLES

A practical introduction to fire science, common hazards, fire prevention and the actions to take in an emergency. Ideal for staff and fire marshals.

QUALIFICATION **601/3921/3**

LEVEL **3**

AWARD IN FIRE SAFETY MANAGEMENT

For managers who carry day-to-day responsibility for fire safety: legal duties, managing contractors, maintenance of fire safety systems, training, drills and record keeping.

QUALIFICATION **603/2441/7**

LEVEL **3**

INTRODUCTORY CERTIFICATE IN FIRE SAFETY (FIRE AUDITORS)

The entry route into fire safety auditing, covering the legislative framework, building construction and how to plan and carry out an audit.

QUALIFICATION **603/6441/5**

LEVEL **4**

CERTIFICATE IN FIRE SAFETY (FIRE AUDITORS)

The recognised benchmark for fire safety auditors in fire and rescue services and the private sector. Audit simple premises against the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

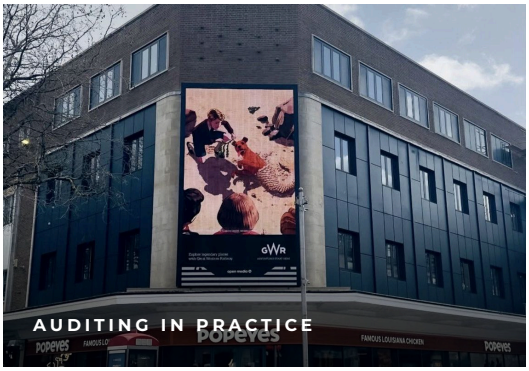
QUALIFICATION **600/8396/7**

LEVEL **4**

DIPLOMA IN FIRE SAFETY (FIRE INSPECTORS)

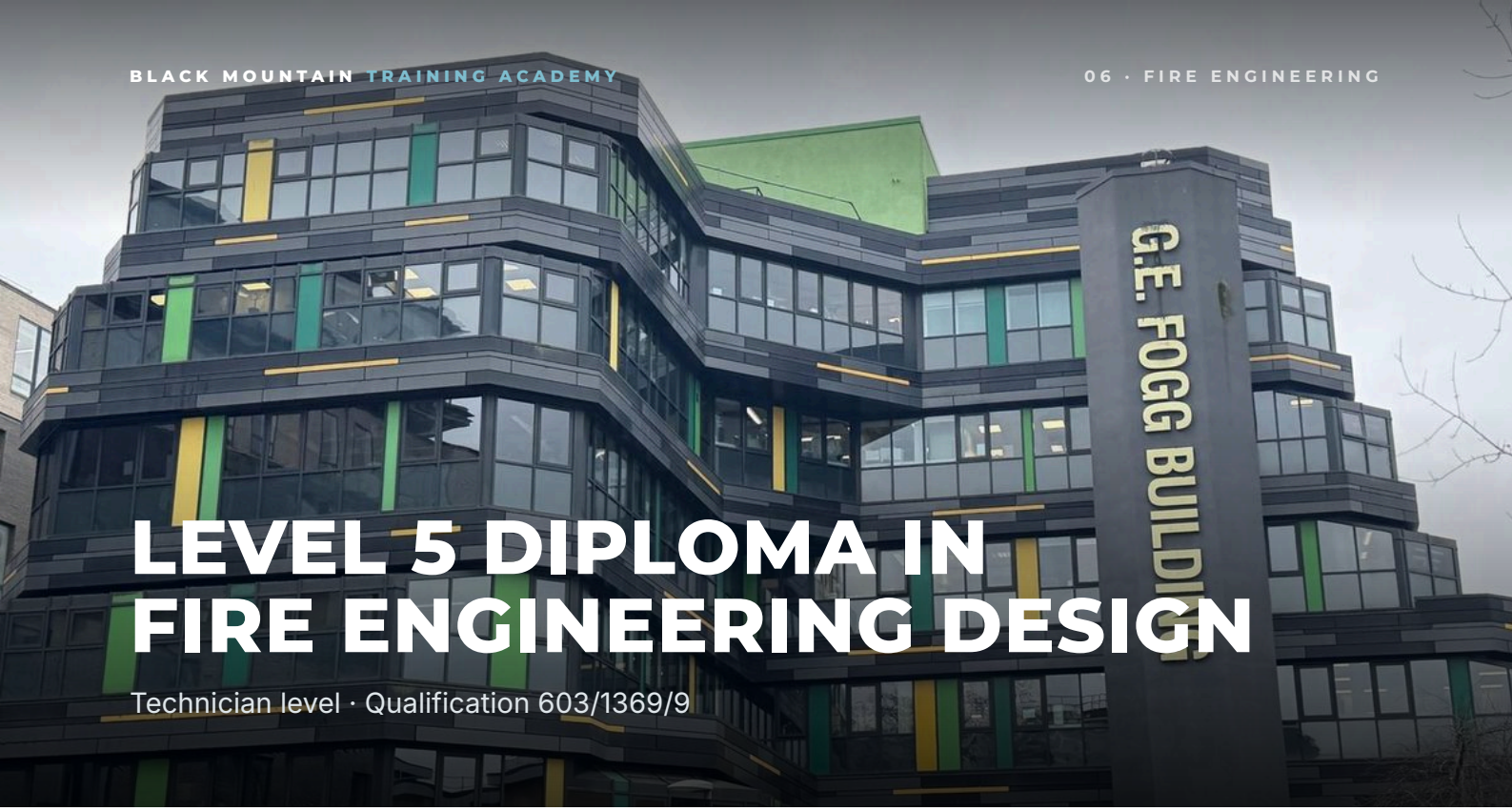
The inspector-level qualification for complex premises, with deeper coverage of fire engineering principles, building regulations consultation and enforcement.

QUALIFICATION **600/8407/8**









LEVEL 5 DIPLOMA IN FIRE ENGINEERING DESIGN

Technician level · Qualification 603/1369/9

The step from compliance into design. For practitioners who want to support fire engineered solutions, fire strategies and design-stage advice.

Learners study how fire and smoke develop and move, how people evacuate, and how prescriptive guidance and performance-based design fit together. Our tutors run fire engineering projects through the RIBA stages, so learners see how a design is developed, justified and agreed with building control and the fire and rescue service.

01

Fire dynamics & smoke movement

The science that underpins every fire safety design.

02

Means of escape & human behaviour

Occupancy, travel distance and evacuation analysis.

03

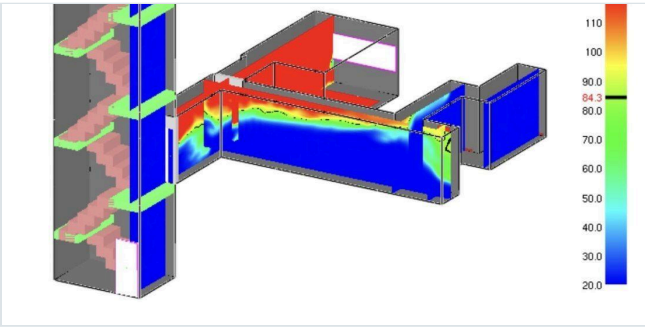
Fire strategy & regulation

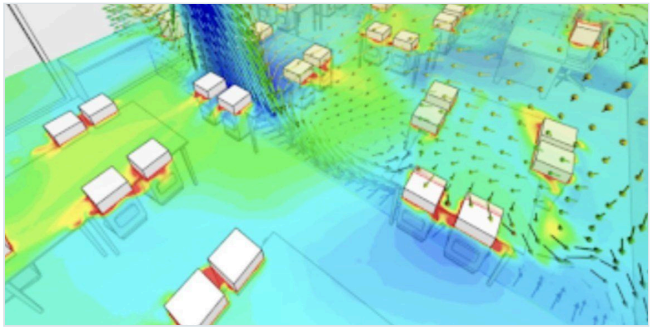
Approved Document B, BS 9999, BS 9991 and the BS 7974 framework.

04

Design-team practice

Reporting, justification and working with approving authorities.





07 · COUNTER-TERRORISM

PREPARED FOR MARTYN'S LAW

The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 will place legal duties on qualifying premises and events when in force, regulated by the Security Industry Authority.

STANDARD TIER

200 – 799

Qualifying premises expecting 200 to 799 people must have public protection procedures in place.

ENHANCED TIER

800+

Qualifying premises and events expecting 800+ people must also put public protection measures in place and appoint a senior individual.

3 APR 2025
Royal Assent. The Act becomes law.

15 APR 2026
Home Office statutory guidance published.

2026 – 27
Implementation period. Venues prepare.

SPRING 2027
Earliest point enforcement can begin.

LEVEL **3**

AWARD IN COUNTER-TERRORISM PROTECTIVE SECURITY & PREPAREDNESS (CTPSAP)

The only qualification endorsed by Counter-Terrorism Policing and NaCTSO, developed by SFJ Awards with NaCTSO. Five days face to face; 41 guided learning hours. Assessed by exam, written assignment and professional discussion.

FOR
Security, venue, events & facilities leads

LEVEL **2**

AWARD IN COUNTER-TERRORISM PROTECTIVE SECURITY AWARENESS (CTPSA)

A one-day qualification for frontline staff: recognising suspicious behaviour, responding to an attack, and the role everyone plays in a positive security culture.

FOR
Frontline & public-facing staff

LEVEL 3 CTPSaP UNITS

01	Introduction to counter-terrorism	02	Positive organisational security culture
03	Counter-terrorism protective security	04	Counter-terrorism preparedness
05	CT risk assessment & preparedness plan	06	CT written recommendation

08 · HOW WE DELIVER

TRAINING THAT FITS YOUR ORGANISATION

Join an open course, or let us bring the qualification to your team, on your premises and to your timetable.

OPEN COURSES

Scheduled cohorts

Join learners from other organisations on our scheduled courses in South West Wales and beyond.

IN-HOUSE

For your team

Delivered at your site, using your own buildings as case material where appropriate.

BLENDED

Classroom and guided study

Taught sessions supported by tutor-guided independent study and coursework.

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Welsh-medium learning

Tuition and assessment available in Welsh, supporting public bodies and the Welsh Language Standards.

YOUR JOURNEY

01
ENQUIRE
Tell us about your role and goals.

02
ADVISE
We confirm the right level and entry route.

03
REGISTER
You are registered with SFJ Awards.

04
LEARN & ASSESS
Taught sessions, coursework and assessment.

05
CERTIFY
Your SFJ Awards certificate is issued.

QUALITY ASSURED

Every assessment is marked by a qualified assessor, sampled by our internal quality assurer and monitored by SFJ Awards' external quality assurance. Our assessment strategy covers Levels 2 to 5.

SUPPORT FOR LEARNERS

Tutor support between sessions, reasonable adjustments where needed, and a clear appeals and complaints procedure. We will help employers plan progression for whole teams.









09 · HEAD OF CENTRE

GERAINT MORGAN

CEO & FOUNDER, BLACK MOUNTAIN FIRE GROUP

BEng (Hons) First Class, MIFireE, MIFSM, AMIFPO

Geraint has spent more than twenty years in fire safety: as a firefighter and junior officer, as a fire safety enforcement officer, as a building regulations fire safety officer, and now as a fire engineer leading his own consultancy.

He holds the SFJ Level 4 Diploma in Fire Safety and Level 4 Certificate in Fire Safety (Fire Auditors), the same qualifications the Academy now delivers.

20+
YEARS IN FIRE SAFETY

1st
CLASS BENG FIRE RISK ENGINEERING

4
YEARS ENFORCING THE FIRE SAFETY ORDER

MSc
FIRE SAFETY ENGINEERING, IN PROGRESS

2022 - NOW

CEO & Founder

Black Mountain Fire Group.
Head of Centre, Academy (launched 2026).

2022 – 2023

Building Regulations Fire Safety Officer

Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service.

2018 – 2022

Fire Safety Enforcement Officer

Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service.

2006 – 2018

Firefighter & Junior Officer

Leicestershire, then Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service.

MEMBERSHIPS & REGISTRATIONS

- MIFireE: Member, Institution of Fire Engineers
- MIFSM: Member, Institute of Fire Safety Managers
- AMIFPO: Associate Member, Institute of Fire Prevention Officers
- NFRAR: National Fire Risk Assessor Register, Advanced
- BAFE SP205 Validator

THE TEACHING TEAM

Geraint leads a team of practising fire risk assessors and fire safety professionals from Black Mountain Fire Group, supported by associate lecturers, assessors and internal quality assurers. Every tutor teaches from current, hands-on experience.

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START YOUR NEXT QUALIFICATION

Talk to us about open course dates, in-house delivery for your team, or the right starting level for your role.

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