



QUEENSLAND FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008 Information regarding the Fire Safety Adviser role

Am I required to appoint a Fire Safety Adviser?

The Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008 requires buildings in Queensland defined as 'high-occupancy' appoint and train a Fire Safety Adviser (FSA). High occupancy buildings include:

- Class 2, 3, 5, 6, 7b, 8, 9a or 9b buildings that are workplaces where 30 or more workers are normally employed.
- Class 2 or 3 buildings that are more than 25 metres in height.
- Licensed premises that have been identified by the Commissioner as at risk of overcrowding.

It is the *occupier's* responsibility to appoint and train a Fire Safety Adviser for buildings that are classified as high occupancy. Existing high occupancies have until **1 July 2009** to appoint and train a Fire Safety Adviser.



What training must a Fire Safety Adviser receive?

A Fire Safety Adviser is one who has completed an approved building fire safety course. An approved building fire safety course consists of 8 units of competencies in Workplace Emergency Response: PUAWER001A to PUAWER008A.

Any Registered Training Organisation (RTO) who has the identified competencies within its scope may deliver the qualification. A list of the Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) known to be offering the Fire Safety Adviser qualification is located at: <http://www.fire.qld.gov.au/buildingsafety/legislation.asp>



How does QFRS support Fire Safety Adviser?

Queensland Fire and Rescue Service have developed a new support network for Fire Safety Advisers. The FSA Network is an initiative committed to sharing knowledge and providing support to Fire Safety Advisers throughout Queensland.



How do Fire Safety Advisers join the FSA Network?

All Fire Safety Advisers are eligible to join the FSA Network. Registered Training Organisations will submit to Queensland Fire and Rescue Service a monthly report of Fire Safety Advisers who successfully completed the eight required units of competencies necessary for the Fire Safety Adviser role during the past month.

Queensland Fire and Rescue Service will include these Fire Safety Advisers to the FSA Network and issue each new Fire Safety Adviser with a FSA Network Membership card providing membership information including membership number and membership expiry date.



Where do I go for more information?

If you require further information regarding the Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008 or the Fire Safety Adviser Network, please contact the Legislative Implementation Project team on 07 3635 1930 or email to fireris@emergency.qld.gov.au.

A copy of the regulation and the explanatory notes can be obtained from the Queensland Legislative website at http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/Acts_SLs/Acts_SL_B.htm