



# THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

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## Fire Risk Assessment - Traders and Market Stalls

Name of Unit / Stall	
Contact No. on site	
Location on site	

**In order to comply with relevant fire safety legislation you MUST complete a Fire Risk Assessment of your stall or unit.**

**The Risk Assessment needs to identify the fire hazards and persons at risk, you must endeavour to remove or reduce these risks and protect people from fire. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in you being removed from the site. You must be able to answer YES to the following questions.**

**This signed and completed form must be maintained available for inspection by the Fire & Rescue Service / Event Organiser / Council Officers at all times.**

You must undertake a Fire Risk Assessment for your unit, which must be suitable for the circumstances. You do not need to use this form, and may use another method if you wish, however, this form is considered to be suitable for most standard market stalls and units

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| 1.  | Are adequate exits provided for the numbers of persons within the unit or stall?<br><i>(Are your staff and customers able to evacuate easily if the normal exit is blocked?)</i>  | Yes | No |
| 2.  | Where necessary, are there sufficient directional signs indicating the appropriate escape route and do they comply with current regulations?  | Yes | No |
| 3.  | Are the exits maintained available, unobstructed, and unlocked at all times the premises are in use.  | Yes | No |
| 4.  | If the normal lighting failed would the occupants be able to make a safe exit?<br><i>(Consider back up lighting)</i>  | Yes | No |
| 5.  | Do you have an adequate number of fire extinguishers/fire blankets available in prominent positions and easily available for use?   | Yes | No |
| 6.  | Has the fire-fighting equipment been tested within the last 12 months?<br><i>Note: a certificate of compliance will normally be required</i>  | Yes | No |
| 7.  | Have your staff been instructed on how to operate the fire-fighting equipment provided?   | Yes | No |
| 8.  | Have your staff been made aware of what to do should an incident occur, how to raise the alarm, evacuate the unit, and the exit locations?  | Yes | No |
| 9.  | Have you identified combustible materials that could promote fire spread beyond the point of ignition such as paper/cardboard, bottled LPG etc and reduced the risk of them being involved in an incident?  | Yes | No |
| 10. | Have you identified all ignition sources and ensured that they are kept away from all flammable materials?  | Yes | No |
| 11. | Are the structure, roofing, walls and fittings of your stall or unit flame retardant?<br><i>Note: certificates of compliance will normally be required</i>  | Yes | No |
| 12. | If any staff sleep in the stall is there a working smoke detector and a clear exit route at night? <i>Note : Persons should not be allowed to sleep within a high risk area and some Authorities and events do NOT allow any sleeping within units.</i> | Yes | No |
| 13. | Are you aware that you must not stock or sell certain items, i.e. fireworks, garden flares, household candles, tea lights, etc?   | Yes | No |

14. Do you have sufficient bins for refuse? Is all refuse kept away from your unit? 

Yes	No
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15. Are you aware that petrol generators are not permitted on site? 

Yes	No
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**If you use LPG**

16. Do you have an inspection / gas safety certificate for the appliances and pipework (copy to be available for inspection) and are all hose connections made with "crimped" fastenings? 

Yes	No
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17. Are the cylinders kept outside, secured in the upright position and out of the reach of the general public? 

Yes	No
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18. Are appliances fixed securely on a firm non-combustible heat insulating base and surrounded by shields of similar material on three sides? 

Yes	No
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19. Are the cylinders located away from entrances, emergency exits and circulation areas? 

Yes	No
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20. Are the gas cylinders readily accessible to enable easy isolation in case of an emergency? 

Yes	No
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21. Do you ensure that all gas supplies are isolated at the cylinder, as well as the appliance when the apparatus is not in use? 

Yes	No
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22. Do you ensure that only those cylinders in use are kept at your unit/stall? (Spares should be kept to a minimum and in line with any specific conditions for the event) 

Yes	No
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23. Is a member of staff, appropriately trained in the safe use of LPG, present in the unit / stall at all times? 

Yes	No
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**If the answer to any of the above questions is "NO",  
please detail the actions you have taken to remedy the situation.**

Continue on separate sheet if necessary

**Stallholder / Responsible Person :** \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Designation :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company :** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE**  
THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT PRECLUDE YOU FROM POSSIBLE PROSECUTION  
OR REMOVAL FROM THE SITE BY THE ORGANISERS  
SHOULD A SUBSEQUENT INSPECTION REVEAL UNSATISFACTORY STANDARDS.