# Safeguarding Fire Standard consultation

**Introduction**

Welcome to the consultation for the Safeguarding Fire Standard. Background information about this consultation can be found on the [Fire Standards Board website](https://www.firestandards.org/professional-standards/consultations/safeguarding-consultation/)  
  
This consultation seeks to gather views about the draft Fire Standard itself as well as the impact on those organisations who will be expected to align to it. We are interested to hear whether you or your organisation feel that:

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| * all relevant aspects of delivering Safeguarding within fire and rescue services have been included; |
| * it is clear and easy to understand; |
| * it will drive further improvements in the delivery of Safeguarding; and |
| * whether it will have a positive impact on your service and the community you serve - if you work for a fire and rescue service. |

Some questions may only be relevant if you work for a fire and rescue service within England.   
    
You will be asked to provide your name, role, organisation and email address in case of any technical issue or if we need to contact you to clarify anything about your response.   
  
There is a save and continue function that can be used throughout the consultation.  
  
Many thanks for taking the time to respond to this consultation.

**Your details**

### **1. Please tell us who you are and what you do: \***

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| Name | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Organisation | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Department | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Job Title/Role | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Email Address | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Telephone Number | |  | | --- | |  | |

### **2. Are you responding on behalf of your organisation or as an individual? \***

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|  | Organisation |
|  | Individual |

### **3. Are you happy for us to contact you regarding your response to this consultation? \***

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

### **4. Are you the single point of contact for your service? \***

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |
|  | Not applicable |

### **5. How did you find out about this Fire Standard consultation? \***

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|  | Direct email notification |
|  | Fire Standards Board newsletter |
|  | Fire Standards Board website |
|  | General communications from the Fire Standards Board |
|  | General communications from the NFCC |
|  | NFCC Committee or working group |

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|  | NFCC Members newsletter |
|  | NFCC Workplace |
|  | Notified through your organisation |
|  | Fire Standards single point of contact (SPOC) |
|  | Twitter |
|  | Other (please specify):   |  | | --- | |  | |

**Your impressions of the Fire Standard**

The questions in this section are about your impressions of the Fire Standard as a whole.

**6. Please summarise, briefly (less than 300 characters) and in your own words, what problem or issue this specific Fire Standard is intending to address.**

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### **7. How important or unimportant, if at all, is this Fire Standard to your service?**

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Very important

Important

Neither important nor unimportant

Unimportant

Very unimportant

Don’t know

Not applicable

### **8. To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statement:**

### **The introduction of this Fire Standard will have a positive impact on my service.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

Please tell us more about why you chose this answer:

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### **9. To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statement:**

### **The introduction of this Fire Standard will have a positive impact on the community my service serves.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

Please tell us more about why you chose this answer:

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the DESIRED OUTCOME section:

### **10. The language in DESIRED OUTCOME is easy to understand.**

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

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If you disagree, do you have any feedback for how we could improve the language in this section?

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**11. The content in DESIRED OUTCOME is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the TO ACHIEVE THE FIRE STANDARD section:

### **12. The language in TO ACHIEVE THE FIRE STANDARD is easy to understand.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, do you have any feedback for how we could improve the language in this section?

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### **13. The content in TO ACHIEVE THE FIRE STANDARD is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the  EXPECTED BENEFITS OF THE FIRE STANDARD section:

**14. The language in EXPECTED BENEFITS OF THE FIRE STANDARD is easy to understand.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, do you have any feedback for how we could improve the language in this section?

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### **15. The content in EXPECTED BENEFITS OF THE FIRE STANDARD is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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### **16. The EXPECTED BENEFITS identified will be achieved if the Fire Standard is implemented and embedded in my service.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

If you disagree, please tell us why you don't think the EXPECTED BENEFITS will be achieved:

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the LEGAL REQUIRMENTS OR MANDATORY DUTIES section:

**17. The content in LEGAL REQUIRMENTS OR MANDATORY DUTIES is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

Do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the LINKED QUALIFICATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS OR FIRE STANDARDS section:

**18. The content in LINKED QUALIFICATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS OR FIRE STANDARDS is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

Do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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The questions in this section are about the specific parts of the Fire Standard.  
  
To what extent do you agree or disagree, if at all, with the following statements relating to the GUIDANCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION section:

**19. The content in GUIDANCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION is correct.**

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Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Don't know

Not applicable

Do you have any feedback regarding anything that is missing or erroneous in this section?

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**Implementation of the Fire Standard**

The questions in this section are about implementation of the Fire Standard in your service.

### **20. Are you aware of the NFCC Implementation Support Team?**

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

**21. Will you have a role in implementing this Fire Standard in your service?**

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |
|  | Not applicable, I don't work in a service |

**22. You said that you will have a role in implementing this Fire Standard in your service. Please tell us your level of responsibility from the options below:**

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|  | Strategic Manager |
|  | Middle Manager |
|  | Supervisory Manager |
|  | Other (please specify):   |  | | --- | |  | |

### **23. Who in your service will have a role in implementing this Fire Standard in your service?**

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### **24. What actions will your service take to ensure it achieves the Fire Standard?**

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|  | Cascading information to all employees and those within the service to ensure understanding and appreciation of the code |
|  | Developing a plan to embed written materials and communications |
|  | Drive collaborative working |
|  | Engage with essential internal stakeholders, such as training departments |
|  | Increasing implementation resource |
|  | Increasing strategic leaders' awareness and responsibilities |

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|  | Raising awareness of the services plans for achieving the Fire Standards and implementing NOG |
|  | Review existing approach to procedural documentation |
|  | Reviewing and updating where necessary, written communications including policies and procedures |
|  | Don't know |
|  | Other (please specify):   |  | | --- | |  | |

### **25. In what timescale do you think your service will achieve this Fire Standard?**

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|  | Less than a year |
|  | 1 - 2 years |
|  | 2 - 3 years |
|  | 3 years + |
|  | Don't know |

### **26. What are the potential challenges that may prevent your service from achieving the Fire Standard in the above timeframe?**

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|  | Existing procedural documentation |
|  | Information Technology limitations |
|  | Lack of collaborative working |
|  | Lack of data and data sharing arrangements |

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|  | Lack of internal stakeholder support for implementation (buy-in) |
|  | Lack of strategic drive, influence and support |
|  | Lack of sufficient resources to implement the Fire Standards / NOG |
|  | Other (please specify):   |  | | --- | |  | |

### **27. How useful would your service find the following forms of implementation support? (please place the options in order of preference)**

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| Case study of how others have achieved the Fire Standards | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Common challenges and solutions (Frequently Asked Questions) | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Liaison with the NFCC Implementation Support Team | |  | | --- | |  | |
| National workshops | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Regional workshops | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Strategic gap analysis tool | |  | | --- | |  | |
| Visibility of others' progress against the Fire Standards | |  | | --- | |  | |

If there are any other forms of support your service might find useful, please tell us here:

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**Any other feedback**

### **28. Please use this space to tell us more about what you think of this Fire Standard.**

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