

## Promoting Quality in Fire Safety

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## **Update to BAFE SP203-1 Scheme Document (Version 8.0.1)**

Version 8.0 of the BAFE SP203-1 Scheme Document was published 21/08/2023. Following additional feedback received since publication, BAFE have made updates to the document prior to the effective date (01/11/2023). The updated version (Version 8.0.1) is now published and available on the BAFE website (as of 20/10/2023). All updates are outlined below:

- Front cover: Updated cover information to align stronger with UKAS requirements.
- Clause 1 (Introduction): Minor updates to reflect version number update only.
- Clause 3 (Terms and Definitions):
  - "Employed Individual" term and definition added to clarify how individuals can be considered employed to perform work under the organisation and their Third-Party Certification/BAFE Registration to the BAFE SP203-1 Scheme.
  - "Primary Contact" definition updated for clarity.
- Clause 4 (Legislations, Standards, Codes of Practice, and Technical Literature):
  - Point h. removed in reference to "Any other legislation, code of practice and publication that is deemed necessary by the Certification Body" to align stronger with UKAS requirements.
  - New clause added (4.2) to align stronger with UKAS requirements.
- Clause 5.4 (Certification Application): Previously stated Lead Individuals were required to be "directly employed". Updated to stress Lead Individuals shall be "employed" (in line with the "Employed Individual" definition outlined in Clause 3 Terms and Definitions).
- Clause 10.1.2 (Management Systems): Point c. regarding access to Standards/technical publications updated for clarity.
- Clauses 11.6 (Design), 12.6 (Installation), 13.6 (Commissioning/Handover) and, 14.6 (Maintenance):
  - Employment terms removed from module Clauses 11.6, 12.6, 13.6, and 14.6, as this is covered in Clauses 11.2, 12.2, 13.2, and 14.2. Individuals shall be "employed" (in line with the "Employed Individual" definition outlined in Clause 3).
  - Lead roles shall "be subject to acceptance and surveillance by the Certification Body."
  - Lead roles shall "be available and required to have direct responsibility..."
- Clause 12.5 (Installation Module): Error correction, clause previously stated "design". Updated to "installation".
- **Annex A1.3:** Two instances of A1.3, error corrected (second instance of A1.3 now A1.4 with subsequent updates to following clause numbering). No information changed.
- Annex A2 (Model Certificates and Information):
  - Declaration statement on all model certificates updated.
  - Information for reverse of all BAFE certificates issued updated.

We trust these updates will help clarify requirements.

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