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BAFE SP205 Sub-contractors

Following the Consultation and Release of Version 5 of the BAFE SP205 (Life Safety Fire Risk Assessment) Scheme Document, BAFE would wish to ensure that there is clarity regarding the role of sub-contractors.

Fire Risk Assessors providing sub-contract services for a Certificated Organization (CO) fall into two distinct categories:

1) Sub-Contractor

If a Fire Risk Assessor works for a CO and their fire risk assessment is published under their own name, they are a sub-contractor falling under the definition in **clause 4.17**. As such, they will need to be audited by a Certification Body and achieve Third Party Certification – see **clause 9.4 b**).

This must be achieved within 12 months of publication of the BAFE SP205 Scheme Document - Version 5 (published 27/06/19).

2) Contracted in Resource

If the Fire Risk Assessor is a contracted in resource and their work is published under the name of and validated by the CO, then they are treated as an 'employee' for the purposes of this scheme.

Under 1) above the sub-contractor is taking responsibility for their fire risk assessment whereas under 2) the CO is taking responsibility and requires to be verified in accordance with SP205 Scheme requirements.

For any further clarification on this requirement please contact the BAFE office.

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Version 1	03/07/19	N/A
Version 1.1	05/12/19	Minor amends to better clarify difference between sub-contractor and contracted in resource.