

The new Fire Trade Association created to support small and medium sized professional fire companies.

The UK Fire Association was established during 2008 by Perry Leaver (Wessex Fire & Security Ltd) and is being run by **Alan Price** the Chair, **Alan Palmer** is Secretary and **Tom Law** is Treasurer. **Paul Creasey** is marketing the association with **Adrian Englebright** managing the website. **Pat Pearl** the former British Fire Consortium Chairman is supporting and has fully endorsed the aims of the UK Fire Association.

Membership is available online to bona-fide UK fire equipment and systems suppliers and installers. Prospective members need to demonstrate competency in their area(s) of expertise and to have adequate levels of insurance. Membership costs just **£200 + VAT** per annum and **the joining fee will be waived for applications received on or before the end of February 2009.**

BAFE Scheme SP101 accredited company's and members of FIA, IFEDA and BFC will be accepted through the fast track joining process without needing to go through auditing (however we do reserve the right to audit any prospective member). If you have recently resigned membership of one of these trade associations may still qualify for fast track membership - contact the Secretary for information.

Some Advantages of Membership

- An opportunity to get actively involved – as much or as little as you want.
- Frequent news bulletins, British Standard updates, environmental issue updates and trade tips.
- Assistance in preparing H&S Policies, Method Statements and other in-house documentation.
- Only one or two main meetings a year – allowing you to focus on working!
- Assistance in growing your business – advice from members that have done it themselves!

By taking advantage of our discounted training courses (see overleaf), preferential insurance rates and discounted British Standards (the new BS5306 part 3 will be released soon) you could save well over half the cost of your membership subscription!

A few Aims of the UK Fire Association

- Preferential ISO9001 and ISO14001 consultancy, accreditation and auditing rates.
- To ideally have regional representation at UKFA Management Group meetings.
- Excellent two way communications between the Management Group and the membership.
- Encourage the sharing of knowledge, information and trade between members.
- To work with BSi, BAFE, FIA, IFEDA & BFC where appropriate for national representation.
- To act on feedback from members in creating UKFA policies.
- To act fairly and promptly with all complaints through an agreed Grievance Procedure.

We invite you to get involved with a new, friendly and dynamic association that puts its members first. With so many fire companies joining us, you will not be alone! Join online now, visit www.uk-fa.org and apply online. Add www.uk-fa.org to your website favourites to keep up to date with news.

Alan Palmer
Secretary

