**Fire Safety Inspecting Officer (Building Safety Regulator)**

**Operating cycle:**

12 months starting January 2023

**Core Service Delivery:**

This is a new role within the new ‘Building Safety Regulator’ operating in the Southwest Region. The role will sit within a multi discipline team covering the Southwest region and involve liaising with each FRS.

The post holder will continue to be employed by DSFRS but have their workload directed by an external Team Leader designated by the new regulator.

**Intent:**

The primary role of the BSR is regulating and inspecting in-scope high-rise residential buildings. The main functions of the BSR are:

* overseeing the safety and standards of all buildings
* helping and encouraging the built environment industry and building control professionals to improve their competence
* leading implementation of the new regulatory framework for high-rise buildings

Applicants must hold or are currently working towards a Level 4 Certificate in Fire Safety [Competence Framework](https://www.nationalfirechiefs.org.uk/write/MediaUploads/NFCC%20meetings/2020/February/Item_11_-_Competence_Framework_2020.pdf) or equivalent, including those currently undertaking the ‘Required Prior Learning’ Process.  If successful, the applicant(s) will be required to undertake additional intensive training including obtaining the Level 4 Diploma in Fire Safety (if not already held) including becoming third party accredited

**Plan:**

The role will be expected to display service values whilst forming part of a regional team supporting the new Building Safety Regulator undertake fire safety inspection / audits and providing fire safety advice and guidance to local authorities, businesses, the public and to professional and other regulatory bodies. You may also influence building design by working with stakeholders and other regulators to ensure fire safety is considered at the outset of major building projects

**Main Effort:**

The role holder will require flexibility in their approach to achieving tasks which will include ensuring they are delivered on time and to a high standard. They will also be expected to be able to work on their own initiative and provide assistance to other team members when required

* Commitment to public safety and public service
* Interpersonal skills including the ability to deliver advice and guidance verbally and in writing
* Ability to understand and explain complex and technical information and its application
* Analytical and problem-solving skills
* Ability to work as part of a team and with other organisations
* Previous management experience or relevant qualifications would be advantageous

**Tasks:**

* Undertake inspections and audits and take appropriate action depending on the level of compliance ranging from providing advice to taking formal enforcement action
* Analysing information relating to fire safety inspections and investigations and present reports setting out your findings
* Carry out investigations and prepare case files in support of enforcement action and give evidence in court
* Interpreting and analysing building and planning submissions and advise regulating authorities on compliance with fire safety requirements
* Respond to consultations from other regulators advising on fire safety considerations and requirements to protect the public
* Develop and deliver advice to members of the public, businesses and stakeholders
* Contribute to organisational policies, guidance and training and development
* A commitment to diversity and inclusion