

SFJ Awards Level 3 Award Counter-Terrorism Protective Security and Preparedness



Competent Person in the Workplace (CPIW)

Target audience:

- Those with responsibility for venues, sites and organisations.
- Those who want a better understanding of counter-terrorism (CT) in preparation for the implementation of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 (Martyn's Law)*.

Qualification content:

- Attack methodologies used by terrorists.
- Understanding CT threat assessments, mitigation strategies and effective applications.
- Developing CT risk assessment and preparedness plans in line national counter-terrorism good practice.
- Understanding where to seek support from protective security specialists.

Why choose this qualification?



Only qualification endorsed by Counter-Terrorism Policing (CTP) and the National Counter-Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO).



Content aligned with Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 (also known as Martyn's Law)*



Comprehensive teaching and learning resources developed by NaCTSO and SFJ Awards.



Develops learners' knowledge, understanding and skills needed to assess venues, sites and organisations and reduce attractiveness to terrorists.



On-demand assessments, assessment materials and assessment guidance.

**Compliance with the legislation requires an organisational approach. See FAQs.*

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Resources

Approved centres will have access to all resources needed to deliver the qualification, including:

- Comprehensive eLearning.
- Full set of lesson plans and slide pack.
- Course manual for learners.
- Assessments, including samples and guidance for assessors.
- Regular updates via our partnership with the National Counter-Terrorism Security Office.

Assessment

There are three assessments:

- Multiple choice question examination.
- Scenario-based assignment, comprising of a CT risk assessment and preparedness plan.
- Professional discussion.

Want to deliver this qualification?

Visit our [website](#) for more information about the [application process](#).

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FAQs

Does achievement of this qualification make my business, venue or event compliant with the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 (also known as Martyn's Law)?

No qualification or training on its own will make a venue, site or organisation compliant. Compliance is about more than this, however this qualification provides an excellent foundation of knowledge from which organisations can develop a CT risk assessment and preparedness plan as outlined in Martyn's Law.

Is this qualification the same as the Competent Person in the Workplace qualification announced on Protect UK?

Yes – SFJ Awards were chosen to deliver the Competent Person in the Workplace qualification. The official title for the qualification is: Level 3 Award in Counter-Terrorism Protective Security and Preparedness.

Are counter-terrorism measures expensive?

Some protective security solutions can be very expensive. The solutions required will vary based upon a range of factors. This qualification will enable learners to explore these different factors and identify suitable solutions in the context of venues, sites and organisations. Many solutions can be implemented for low or no cost.

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