Your partners in health, safety and environmental welfare
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Welcome to the Building Safety Group

Who we are

The Building Safety Group (BSG) is a not for profit organisation which specialises in providing Health, Safety and Environmental advice for the construction industry. We have over 750 members who operate across 3500 workplaces throughout the country. BSG was founded over 50 years ago.

Put simply, we are the largest safety group of our kind and recognised as the UK’s leading experts in construction health, safety and environmental welfare. At BSG we aim to help our members prevent accidents, protect their workforce from harm and still deliver projects on time and within budget. Our members have peace of mind knowing that we provide them with competent, expert advice and keep them aware of the latest changes in legislation and guidance.

What we do

We can help you run a safer and more cost effective business by offering:

- An expert risk evaluation of your construction sites
- Detailed site inspection reports
- Health and safety training
- CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC)
- Advice on best practice for minimising risk
- Guidance to ensure that your business remains compliant with industry regulations

With our network of health and safety advisers across the UK, we can provide help and assistance to all kinds of businesses - from small local companies to large national organisations with multiple sites.

“At the Building Safety Group we take great pride in providing a specialist, professional and cost effective service for the benefit of our members. As a not for profit organisation our focus is entirely on quality to ensure that we deliver the highest standards in health, safety and environmental consultancy.”

Paul Kimpton, Managing Director- The Building Safety Group
BSG Membership Services

The impact of a major accident on a company can be devastating. Apart from the human cost, the financial costs can be enough to force a business to cease trading. Latest figures from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) estimate the yearly cost of workplace injuries and ill health in the construction industry to be over £1.2bn. In addition to the direct costs there are indirect costs such as damage to the reputation of a company, putting future work at risk.

This is one of the reasons why so many businesses involved in the construction industry become BSG members. We are here to help you minimise the risk of accidents in the workplace and to keep you up to date and compliant with all health, safety and environmental regulations.

Regular Site Inspections

With highly qualified safety advisers based throughout the UK, BSG conducts over 18,000 regular site inspections every year, providing ‘muddy boots advice’ at the workface.

Having a local and dedicated safety adviser as the ‘eyes on your site’ will help to evaluate the potential risk of an accident and take the necessary steps to minimise danger.

Each BSG site visit generates an electronic inspection report which is transmitted to our members’ offices, bringing any areas of concern or material breaches to their attention.

BSG conducts over 18,000 site inspections every year, throughout the UK
BSG Online Risk Management

Many of our members also enjoy the benefits of having real-time, on-demand access to our ‘Risk Management’ application - BSG Online.

BSG Online offers an extensive library of resources with over 200 essential Health and Safety documents available, including a Health and Safety policy template and risk assessment templates.

Our members regularly login to BSG Online to manage risk more effectively and to help ensure that their companies remain compliant with Health and Safety regulations.

*BSG Online provides over 200 essential Health and Safety documents for effective risk management*
Choose the BSG package best suited for your business

BSG Membership Packages

BSG has a range of cost effective package options for all company sizes, large or small. Take a look at our membership service options and choose the one which is best matched for your business. If you can’t find what you’re looking for, we can tailor a bespoke package to match your requirements.

BSG Membership

Ideal for smaller companies with less than 10 workers, our BSG membership package includes:

- Access to the full range of Health and Safety documentation including Model Health and Safety Policy, Model Risk Assessments, Model COSHH Assessments, Method Statement Forms and Permits to Work, Model Fire Risk Assessment and Model Environmental Management System
- Online access to document libraries
- Telephone and email support - our team of Safety Advisers are on hand to answer your queries or technical questions
- Access to regular industry information and new legislation as well as the latest company and membership news through our monthly newsletter BSG Online

BSG Membership + *

Specifically designed for larger companies with 10 or more workers, the BSG Membership + package delivers all of the features in our standard BSG Membership package and in addition:

- Regular site visits from an assigned BSG adviser
- Real-time access to site inspection reports
- Annual health and safety review
- Access to incident and non-compliance statistics
- Major Accident investigation

* Package includes everything offered in our BSG Membership package in addition to the extra benefits.
BSG Workshop Membership*
Our BSG Workshop Membership package has been designed for companies that are not construction companies but still support the industry, such as plant hirers, joinery workshops and builders merchants. The package includes:

- Workshop visits and inspections
- Annual health and safety review
- Access to accident and non compliance statistics
- Major Accident Investigation

Early design decisions can affect the future health and safety of a construction site

BSG Designers Membership package*
Early design decisions can affect the future health and safety of a construction site due to the influence of design on choice of materials, construction methods and the build programme.

As a designer, you are in a unique position to be able to help reduce the health risks that arise from construction work and to help protect workers.

Our unique BSG Designers Membership package includes:

- Office inspections
- Annual health and safety review
- Major Accident investigation

* Package includes everything offered in our BSG Membership package in addition to the extra benefits.
Dedicated to delivering the highest standards in Health, Safety and Environmental training

BSG Training
The Building Safety Group (BSG) is dedicated to delivering the highest standards in Health, Safety and Environmental training for the building and construction sector. All of BSG’s trainers are professional, highly qualified and have long-term experience of working in the industry. We run a full range of courses from regional training centres located throughout the country.

If you have a group of 6 or more employees requiring training, we offer all of our courses on a private basis. Held at a venue of your choice on a date that suits you, we can tailor the course to meet your needs and requirements.

Guaranteed best value
As a not for profit organisation, we guarantee that all of our courses are competitively priced to ensure that you receive the best value.

If you can’t find what you’re looking for here, take a look at our website www.bsgltd.co.uk to view the full BSG training schedule as well as details about course dates and fees.

BSG’s bespoke training courses can be arranged to meet your exact requirements.
BSG Training Courses

**CITB**
- Site Management Safety Training (SMSTS)
- Site Management Safety Training Refresher
- Site Supervisors Safety Training (SSSTS)
- Site Supervisors Safety Training Refresher
- Site Environmental Awareness Training Scheme
- Health and Safety Awareness

**NEBOSH**
- NEBOSH National Construction Certificate

**City and Guilds**
- Level 3 NVQ Certificate in Health and Safety
- Level 5 NVQ Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety Practice

**IATP - Asbestos courses**
- Asbestos Awareness
- Asbestos Awareness Refresher
- Non-Licensed Asbestos
- Non-Licensed Asbestos Refresher

**Working at Height courses**
- Scaffold Inspection and Appreciation
- Mobile Scaffold Tower - 3T Method
- Mobile Scaffold Tower - AGR Method
- Mobile Scaffold Tower - 3T and AGR combined
- Working at Height

**Operative courses**
- Abrasive Wheel courses
- Confined Space, with gas monitoring and escape breathing apparatus
- Manual Handling
- BSG Health and Safety Awareness
- Woodworking training courses
- Toolbox Talks

**First Aid and Fire safety courses**
- First Aid at Work
- First Aid at Work Re-Qualification
- Emergency First Aid at Work
- Fire Safety Awareness: including extinguishers
- Fire Wardens course: including extinguishers
- Fire risk assessment

**Management courses**
- Directors Responsibilities
- CDM 2015 Awareness
- Risk Assessment and Method Statements

**Plant**
- Forklift Truck Operator | Dumper
- Cat and Genny | Telehandler
- 360/180 Excavator | Slinger Banksman
- Mini Digger | Skid steer loader
- Lorry Loader (HIAB) | Vehicle Banksman
- MEWP | Harness safe use and inspection
Our aim is to get more pre-planning into your building and construction projects

**CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC)**

At the Building Safety Group (BSG) we understand that Principal Designers, Principal Contractors and Clients will need a support mechanism in place to meet their obligations under the new CDM 2015 regulations.

This is why BSG has created a new role where it will act as an appointed CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC), to help all parties fulfil their legal requirements.

**BSG CDMC Package**

Appointing a CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC) will save time by allowing CDM duty holders to focus on their primary roles, leaving BSG to ensure that you become and remain compliant under the new regulations. Our aim will be to get more Health and Safety pre-planning into construction projects.

The package that we have developed will cover everything required to make sure that CDM stakeholders comply with CDM 2015 legislation and protect their company’s professional reputation.

**BSG’s CDMC package has been set up to ensure that your business is compliant with CDM Regulations 2015**
Our CDMC Duties

BSG’s CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC) will:

• Advise the ‘Project Team’ on the responsibilities placed on the duty holders – Client, Principal Designer, Designers, Principal Contractor and Contractors
• Assist with preparation of the Construction Phase Plan
• Coordinate the risk assessment process during the design stage
• Aid in the appointment of competent and best qualified suppliers, Designers and Contractors
• Assist with preparation of the Health and Safety file
• Advise on the suitability of project documentation
• Identify relevant information for inclusion and assist in its creation

BSG will manage the flow of health and safety information between all project stakeholders
**Bespoke services**

BSG membership packages are available for different types and size of construction or building company. Some of our members however prefer to select a BSG ‘bespoke’, customised package which has been specially tailored for their business.

We offer a full range of services, so please look through the options available and choose which BSG services are the best match for you.

**Site, office and workshop inspections**

BSG’s experienced and expert safety advisers will conduct site inspection visits to ensure that your business is competent and compliant.

**Site inspection reports**

Every site visit we make generates an electronic inspection report which is transmitted to your office, usually within the hour.

The report will highlight any areas of concern or material breaches for your attention.

**Online access to over 200 Health, Safety and Environmental documents**

By logging into BSG Online, you will gain access to over 200 Health and Safety policy documents and risk management templates.

**Annual health check**

Take advantage of our Annual Health Check and we will arrange for one of our safety advisers to meet with you to discuss your company’s health, safety and environmental matters.

**SSIP accreditations**

Our Safety Advisers can provide their expert advice and guidance with applications such as CHAS.
Member Helpline

Whether you need urgent help or require general assistance, our dedicated support team is available via the BSG Member helpline.

Accident investigation

We offer an Accident and Investigation reporting service (if other than ‘Major Accident’. The cost of this service is based on the time involved, so please contact us to discuss your needs and get a quotation.

Role of CDM Compliance Consultant (CDMC)

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Health and Safety audits

An audit is designed to give an accurate appraisal of your organisation’s current health and safety practices and assess whether you are meeting your legal duties and maintaining acceptable standards.

Training

A complete range of health and safety courses are run on a regular basis from regional training centres located throughout the UK.

Site Safety Folder

Every site should have a copy of the Site Safety Folder. As well as containing statutory documentation which is required to be completed by law, the folder contains model fire plans, induction forms, accident report forms and other important information on Health and Safety matters.

Fire risk assessments

Several of our Safety Advisers have moved to the Building Safety Group after a career in the Fire Service. This places us in the unique position of being able to offer specialist advice regarding fire prevention and risk assessment.

Toolbox Talks

Short and specific training sessions delivered to site based personnel by our safety advisers have proved invaluable to members who wish to deliver a particular message.
What BSG customers say...

“BSG provide an invaluable service for McCarthy and Stone. Their in-depth knowledge, expertise and all round professionalism help to ensure that we are compliant with health and safety regulations.”

McCarthy and Stone

“We have been delighted with the level of service provided by BSG. Their professional advice on health and safety helps us to protect our workers from harm, prevent accidents and reduce absenteeism. On the commercial side, this goes a long way to ensuring that we deliver our business projects on time and within budget- which is important for sustaining the long-term profitability of the company.”

J. S. Wright

“We have a responsibility to deliver the highest standards in Health and Safety for our workforce. This is why we became members of the Building Safety Group, whose professional and expert advice help to ensure that we remain compliant with industry regulations. We would highly recommend the Building Safety Group.”

E.G. Carter

“City & Country is rapidly expanding as a business and we needed a Health and Safety partner that could provide us with national coverage. This is why we selected the Building Safety Group, who have a UK network of Health and Safety resources that can support our needs as we grow. We also firmly believe that joining the Building Safety Group will strengthen our reputation as a construction company by helping us to continue to deliver the highest standards in Health and Safety.”

City & Country

“With health and safety at the forefront of all that we do our membership of the Building Safety Group is invaluable to us. The service is first class and is delivered by consummate professionals who are totally in tune with our needs and requirements.”

Pearce Construction (Barnstaple) Ltd

“BSG are clearly experts in Health and Safety training for the construction industry.”

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Building Safety Group - Key Executives

Michael Setter - Non Executive Chairman
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Steve Beckwith - Training Manager
Kim Bowen - Head of Membership Services
Mark Johnson - Communications and External Affairs Manager

As a demonstration of our commitment to delivering the highest standards in health, safety and environmental consultancy, BSG has successfully secured the following industry accreditations.
Visit us online at www.bsgltd.co.uk