Howden Asset Protection

Understanding Martyn's Law

The proposed tiers

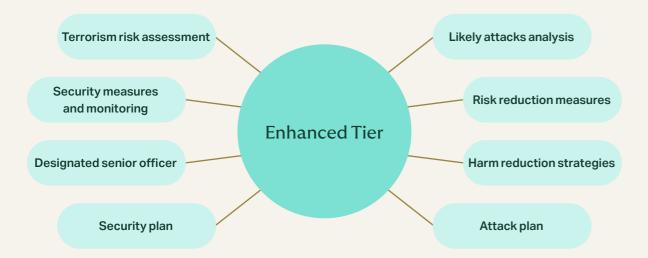
Martyn's Law Standard Tier

The Standard Tier requires specific and bespoke security awareness training, terrorism risk assessments, and clear procedures for responding to threats.

Standard Tier	
Threat assessment	Identifies most likely attacks
Security measures	Detailed measures to reduce the likelihood of attack
Harm reduction policy	Establishes procedures to reduce harm if an attack occurs
Emergency plan	Outlines actions to be taken during an attack
Staff training	Ensures relevant staff are trained for security protocols
Annual review	Conducts an annual evaluation of all measures

Martyn's Law Enhanced Tier

The Enhanced Tier requires detailed and bespoke security planning, terrorism risk assessments, and incident response strategies. Reasonable security measures must be identified and implemented. A senior manager must be in charge of implementation.



Martyn's Law: the detail

Martyn's Law, also known as the Protection of Premises Bill, is legislation aimed at improving safety and security in public premises and public spaces. The new legislation is designed to reduce terrorist attacks in the UK, and if an attack still happens, to reduce the impact on those people involved.

Martyn's Law is important as it aims to ensure public safety at premises and events by encouraging better preparedness and response to potential threats. Without this planning, businesses could be left open to potential fines, penalties, liability and of course attacks.

Take a look below at the details businesses and organisations need to be aware of.

Standard Tier

Who it applies to: Generally, it applies to premises that are open to the public and can accommodate between 200 and 799 people. Those responsible for these premises will be required to consider the most likely attacks, the measures that are in place to reduce the likelihood of attacks, and if an attack still takes place, the measures that are in place to reduce the impact on those people involved. These premises will need to provide specific training to staff, and they will need to produce plans detailing options available to them when responding to a potential terror attack.

Requirements:

Specific security awareness training, risk assessments, specific plans and procedures for responding to threats.

Enhanced Tier

Who it applies to:

Typically, this tier applies to public premises or events that can accommodate 800 people or more. Those responsible will be expected to undertake a more in-depth assessment and preparations. This would include the production of a specific terrorism risk assessment, identifying and implementing both specific and reasonable measures, as well as designating someone senior to be responsible for adherence to the new law, and engaging with the regulator.

Requirements:

Detailed security planning, risk assessments, incident response strategies, terror risk assessments, and allocating senior staff to security roles.

For help, get in touch

We know that following the advice and ensuring you're on top of the details can be tough, which is why we've partnered with security specialists Team 9. Team 9 are security consultants who have significant expertise in counter terrorism solutions, including experience protecting UK Government officials and royalty, as well as operating as special advisors to the UK Government.

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