

COMPETENT PERSON

WHY IS A COMPETENT SOURCE OF ADVICE NEEDED?

Under the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999

'an employer is required to nominate one or more competent persons to assist him in the measures he needs to take to comply with the requirements and prohibitions imposed upon him by the relevant statutory legislation and by the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005'.

SO WHAT IS A 'COMPETENT PERSON'?

It is defined as a person who has suitable and sufficient training, experience, knowledge or other qualities to undertaking the task in question.

WHY OUTSOURCE THIS REQUIREMENT?

It is generally more cost effective to outsource for your competent person rather than having to train someone from within your company and then losing them from their normal duties for periods of time to carry out a health and safety role. It also looks better having an unbiased person providing advice and carrying out Safety Inspections, etc.

We at CSATS can act as your competent person for you by carrying out the following:-

- Compile an initial workplace safety assessment
- > Develop and keep up to date your Health and Safety Policy and Safety Procedures
- Carry out and record risk assessments and keep them updated
- Carry out Accident Investigations and reporting to RIDDOR
- > Utilization of our Company name on your Health and Safety Law poster
- Carry out Safety Inspections as required (normally 2 per year)
- Carry out a Fire Risk Assessment
- > Ensure you are legally compliant in respect of health and safety
- > Be there on the end of a phone or email to answer any issues that you might have

The above can be added to and tailored to your requirements producing a package that is bespoke to your company.

The benefits to you and your company are:-

- ➢ A safe workplace
- > Peace of mind in respect to health and safety
- ➢ Save time and money

If you require further information on how CSATS Health and Safety Consultants can help you in meeting your health and safety requirements please contact us on 07785 580376 or <u>consultancy@csats.co.uk</u>

