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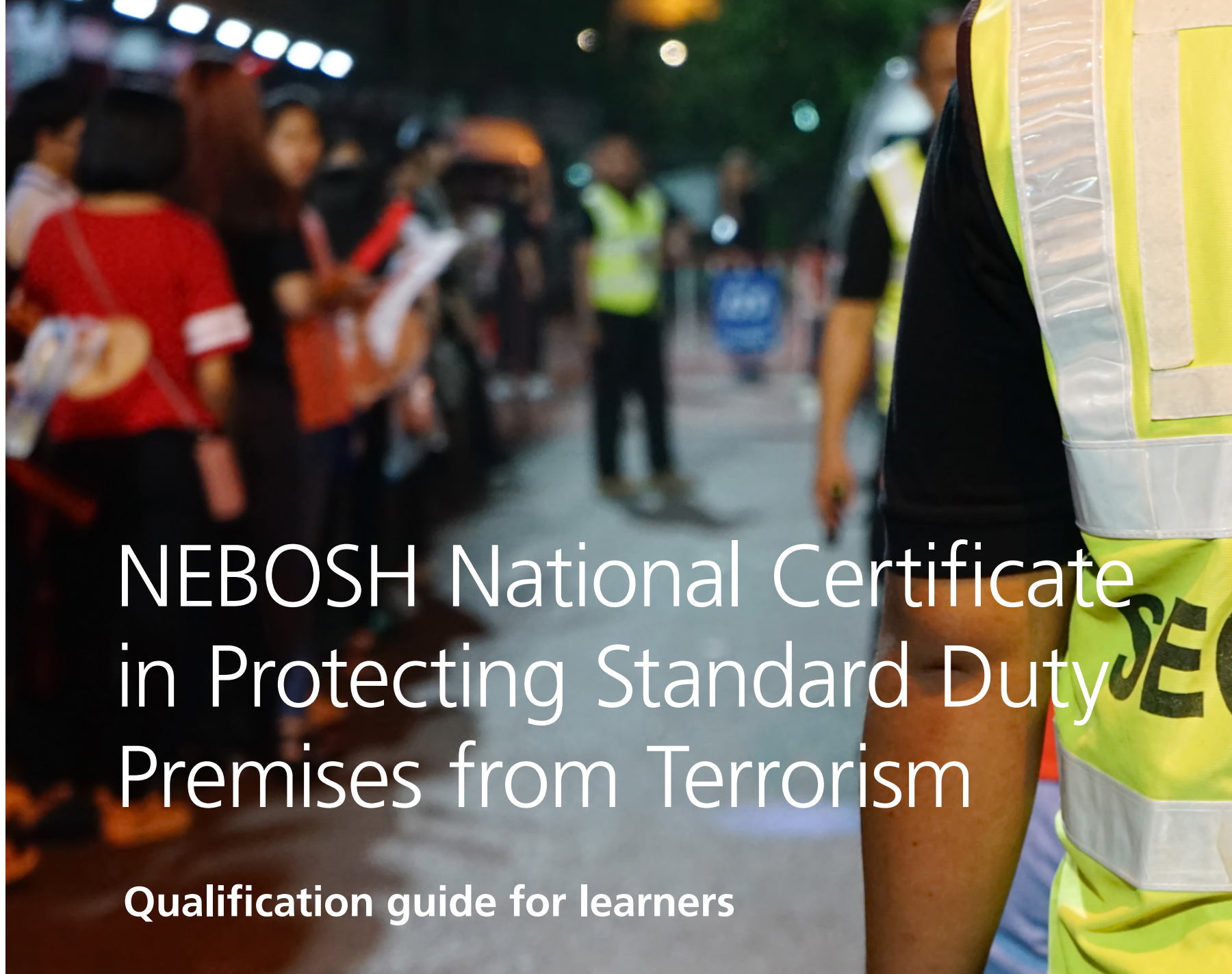
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# NEBOSH National Certificate in Protecting Standard Duty Premises from Terrorism

## Qualification guide for learners



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# Qualification overview

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## Qualification key features

|                                                 |                                                                                                                                            |                        |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Unit prefixes and title/s</b>                | <b>Unit PTS1: Protecting Standard Duty Premises from Terrorism</b>                                                                         |                        |
| <b>Assessment</b>                               | <b>Assessment Type</b>                                                                                                                     | <b>Assessment Time</b> |
| <b>Unit PTS1</b>                                | Multiple format assessment (MFA)                                                                                                           | 30 minutes             |
| <b>Modes of study</b>                           | Taught (face-to-face)<br>Open, distance, part-time or block release<br>eLearning                                                           |                        |
| <b>Notional learning hours</b>                  | Taught hours: 6 hours<br>Private study hours: N/A<br>Assessment: 0.5 hours<br>Total hours: 6.5 hours                                       |                        |
| <b>Qualification level</b>                      | Notional SCQF Level 6 / Equivalent to RQF Level 3                                                                                          |                        |
| <b>Entry requirements</b>                       | None                                                                                                                                       |                        |
| <b>Recommended minimum standards of English</b> | International English Language Testing System score of 6.0 or higher                                                                       |                        |
| <b>Languages available</b>                      | English                                                                                                                                    |                        |
| <b>Assessment dates/ registration</b>           | Monthly fixed date examinations.<br>Registrations can be made at any time pre-course and up to 10 working days before the assessment date. |                        |
| <b>Pass standards</b>                           | A 'Pass' (score of 60% or higher) must be achieved in Unit PTS1                                                                            |                        |
| <b>Qualification grades</b>                     | Pass<br>Refer                                                                                                                              |                        |
| <b>Parchment issue</b>                          | Issued within 20 working days of the results declaration date                                                                              |                        |

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## Introduction

The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 (“Martyn’s Law”) places legal duties on certain public premises to consider the threat of terrorism, so that steps can be taken to protect against a potential attack and to keep people safe should an attack occur. Certain premises must also take steps to reduce their vulnerability to acts of terrorism.

NEBOSH has developed a suite of qualifications to support UK-based organisations in understanding and complying with these duties. This qualification is designed for those responsible for standard duty premises (see ‘who is this qualification designed for?’)

## Who is the qualification designed for?

This course is for health and safety professionals and other workers involved in managing premises that fall under the **standard duty requirements** of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025.

**Standard tier premises** refers to certain publicly-accessible premises where it is reasonable to expect that between **200 and 799** individuals may be present at the same time.

## Benefits for you

This qualification will provide you with a sound breadth of knowledge and understanding of the threat of terrorism and the mitigations that can be put in place to help keep people safe. It will better enable you to support your organisation to understand and comply with the requirements of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) 2025 Act.

On completion of this course, you will have a good understanding of:

- The nature of terrorism and the legal framework of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025
- Identifying and monitoring potential threats
- Understanding terrorist threats and site vulnerabilities

- Implementing public protection procedures
- Developing a strong security culture.

## Benefits for your employer

Terrorism is a global issue. As such, it is essential that organisations with publicly-accessible locations are prepared for potential terrorist attacks. This qualification will provide your employees with the knowledge and understanding to help identify potential threats, and the mitigations that can be put in place to help keep people safe.

This qualification also helps employers to comply with the legal requirements under the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025.

## Notional learning hours

A programme of study needs to be based around a minimum of 6 taught hours.

Please contact your Learning Partner for more information on the structure of their course.

## Finding where to study

You can search for Learning Partners (the people that provide your training course) using the ‘Where to study’ tab on the NEBOSH website. Our Learning Partners offer NEBOSH qualifications globally.

Note: it is best to check directly with the Learning Partner for up-to-date information on course dates.

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## Achieving the qualification

The qualification has one unit assessment: a 30 minute online multiple-format assessment. 'Multiple format' means assessment papers which have questions with pre-populated answers to choose from. Unlike multiple-choice assessments (where each question only has one correct answer), multiple format assessments include a blend of different styles, such as multiple choice questions (one correct answer); multiple response questions (more than one correct answer), as well as different question styles (e.g. rank, categorise, fill in the blanks etc).

The question paper consists of 20 multiple-format questions. Each question is worth one mark. The question paper covers the whole syllabus with at least one question per element. All questions are compulsory. It is a closed-book assessment, so you will not be able to refer to your course book and notes.

You must achieve a 'pass' (60% or higher) in order to be awarded the qualification.

## Date of assessment

Assessments are taken after completion of the course learning. Assessments are held monthly, with the assessment being available for a 24 hour period. You will be able to start your assessment at any time during this 24 hour window, but will have 30 minutes in total to complete your assessment.

More information, including upcoming assessment dates are available on the NEBOSH website.



*"Martyn's Law positions the UK as a leader in counterterrorism by requiring a consistent approach to terrorism preparedness. It clarifies who is responsible at qualifying premises and events and what they must do. It calls for clear risk understanding, consistent practices, and strong collaboration to foster a safety-focused culture"*

**Rhian Greaves**  
**Partner Regulatory – Safety, Health & Environment, DAC BEACHCROFT**

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## Registration

Your Learning Partner will register you for the PTS1 unit assessment. Registration can be made at any time precourse delivery, and up to 10 working days pre-assessment.

## Submission of the assessment

You will complete your assessment online, and submit your assessment through an online assessment platform for marking.

## Marking

Your assessment is marked by NEBOSH. You will receive a 'Pass' (60% or higher) or 'Refer' (59% or lower) for your assessment. Your Learning Partner will provide you with more support in the event of a referral result, and register you for another date to re-sit your assessment.

## Results

You will receive your results within 15 working days of sitting the examination. Once you have achieved a pass, a qualification parchment will be issued. This is normally within 20 working days of confirmation of the successful PTS1 unit.

## Re-sitting units

You may re-sit your unit assessment if you were referred. There is no limit to the number of times you can re-sit a unit.

## Individual learner feedback

For more information on the assessment feedback provided for this qualification, please visit the NEBOSH website.



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| Element            |                                                          | Recommended tuition hours | Assessment                                                                                                 |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>           | The nature of terrorism and the legal framework          | 1.5                       | <b>Unit PTS1: Protecting Standard Duty Premises from Terrorism</b><br><br>Multiple-format assessment (MFA) |
| <b>2</b>           | Identifying and monitoring potential threats             | 1                         |                                                                                                            |
| <b>3</b>           | Understanding terrorist threats and site vulnerabilities | 1.5                       |                                                                                                            |
| <b>4</b>           | Implementing public protection procedures                | 1.5                       |                                                                                                            |
| <b>5</b>           | Developing a strong security culture                     | 0.5                       |                                                                                                            |
| <b>Total hours</b> |                                                          | <b>6</b>                  | <b>0.5</b>                                                                                                 |

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## Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

| Learning outcome<br>The learner will be able to:                                                                                                                      | Related content      | Assessment criteria                                                                                                                                                            | Assessment |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Understand the nature of terrorism, including motivating factors and common ideologies.                                                                               | <b>1.1</b>           | Recognise the nature of terrorism and its motivating factors.                                                                                                                  | MFA        |
| Understand how the main duties of key health and safety legislation apply to the threat of terrorism-related incidents in the workplace.                              | <b>1.2</b>           | Recognise how the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 apply to the threat of terrorism-related incidents. |            |
| Understand what constitutes a 'qualifying event' and 'qualifying premises' under the 2025 Act, including the distinction between standard and enhanced duty premises. | <b>1.3, 1.4, 1.5</b> | Recognise the scope of the 2025 Act, including key definitions, legal duties, the role of the SIA and civil sanctions, criminal offences and penalties.                        |            |
| Understand the legal duties placed on those responsible for qualifying premises and qualifying events under the 2025 Act.                                             |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                |            |
| Understand the role of the Security Industry Authority (SIA) and enforcement action taken for non-compliance with the 2025 Act.                                       |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                |            |

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| Learning outcome<br>The learner will be able to:                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Related content                                                  | Assessment criteria                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Assessment |
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| Interpret national terrorism threat levels, intelligence guidance and target attractiveness, and use this information to inform proportionate and context-specific decision-making.                                                                                | <b>2.1</b><br><br><b>2.2</b><br><br><b>2.3</b>                   | Understand the UK threat level system and its implications.<br><br>Recognise the available sources of credible information regarding threat levels.<br><br>Recognise factors that impact the overall threat level.<br><br>Identify organisational responsibilities for monitoring threat intelligence.                                                                                                             | MFA        |
| Understand terrorist threats and site-specific vulnerabilities.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>3.1, 3.2</b>                                                  | Evaluate terrorist threats.<br><br>Recognise site-specific vulnerabilities to terrorism-related activities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | MFA        |
| Implement public protection procedures, as far as is reasonably practicable.<br><br>Describe appropriate emergency responses to terrorism-related incidents, and explain how to communicate and coordinate effectively with emergency services and other agencies. | <b>4.1</b><br><br><b>4.2</b><br><br><b>4.3</b><br><br><b>4.4</b> | Identify the meaning and scope of public protection procedures.<br><br>Understand the concept of reasonable practicability as it applies to the 2025 Act.<br><br>Recognise emergency response options for different types of terrorist threat.<br><br>Identify effective internal and external communication processes.<br><br>Identify trauma first aid and worker competency in the event of a terrorist attack. | MFA        |
| Promote a positive security culture within organisations by recognising the importance of effective leadership and engaging workers at all levels.                                                                                                                 | <b>5.1, 5.2</b>                                                  | Identify the characteristics of a positive security culture.<br><br>Identify the benefits of a positive security culture.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | MFA        |