

The tragic Manchester Arena attack in 2017 led to a nationwide call for improved security measures in public venues. As a result, the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill, also known as Martyn's Law or the Protect Duty, has been introduced in the UK. This legislation aims to enhance the safety and security of public venues by introducing new security requirements and enforcement measures.

Martyn's Law: A Summary

Martyn's Law is a proposed anti-terrorism legislation designed to protect the public in crowded public spaces and venues. It requires venues and local authorities to develop preventative plans against terror attacks, with different tiers of responsibilities depending on the venue's capacity. The draught bill establishes a new requirements framework for appropriate and proportionate mitigation measures, as well as an inspection and enforcement regime.

Martyn's Law and Impact on Security Industry

The introduction of Martyn's law will have several implications for the security industry:

1. Enhanced security measures:
with the new legislation, security companies will need to invest in more robust security measures to comply with the new requirements. This may include additional physical security measures, such as CCTV, and improved staff training.
2. Increased demand for trained security personnel:
The Protect Duty emphasises the importance of well-trained security staff. As a result, there would likely be an increased demand for security professionals with specialised training in venue security and counter-terrorism.
3. Compliance and enforcement:
Security companies will need to ensure they comply with the new regulations to avoid potential penalties. This may require additional resources to develop and implement compliant security plans and to stay up to date with changes in legislation.
4. Collaboration with venue owners and event organisers:
The Protect Duty highlights the importance of clear roles and responsibilities among all parties involved in securing public venues. Security companies would need to work closely with venue owners and event organisers to ensure the effective implementation of security measures.

Harris Flynn Training's QNUK Level 2 Award in Venue Security Course

Harris Flynn Training are excited to announce the launch of the QNUK Level 2 Award in Venue Security Course. This comprehensive training programme it designed to equip security professionals with the knowledge and skills required to ensure public

safety events and venues. Developed by a team of highly experienced trainers and sector specialists, the course bridges the gap between the SIA and Spectator Safety qualifications, reflecting the involving landscape of security and safety requirements in the industry.

The QNUK Level 2 Award in Venue Security Course consists of three separate units:

1. Level 2 Award in Behavioural Analysis of Events, Individuals and Crowds.
2. Level 2 Award in Securing and Monitoring Public Events.
3. Level 2 Award in Responding to Security and Safety Incidents.

By completing the QNUK Level 2 Award in Venue Security Course, security professionals will be better equipped to protect the public in accordance with the Protect Duty, enhancing their skills and employability in the evolving security landscape.

Martyn's law represents a significant step forward in enhancing the safety and security of public venues across the UK. By understanding the implications of this legislation and investing in specialised training like Harris Flynn training's QNUK Level 2 Award in Venue Security training course, security professionals can play a crucial role in protecting the public and ensuring the continued success of the security industry. Enrol today and enhance your security skills, ensuring the safety of the public events and venues.