Trade organisations, associations etc.

This is a list of trade bodies, associations and organisations that may be useful to find trained and accredited professionals to help with building work. The Council does not recommend any particular company or organisation and accepts no responsibility for contractors employed through any of the organisations listed.

Asbestos removal

Asbestos Removal Contractors Association
Web: www.arca.org.uk

Asbestos Testing and Consultancy Association
Web: www.atac.org.uk

United Kingdom Asbestos Training Association
Web: www.ukata.org.uk

Architects and surveying

Architects Registration Board
Phone. 020 7580 5861
Web: www.arb.org.uk

Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
Web: www.architecture.com

Association of Consultant Architects
Web: www.acarchitects.co.uk

Building works

Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE)
Web: www.cbuilde.com

The Institute of Structural Engineers
Web: www.istructe.org

Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)
Web: www.rics.org/uk

Building Research Establishment (BRE)
Web: www.bregroup.com

Chartered Institute of Building
Web: www.ciob.org
Builders’ Merchants Federation
Web: www.bmf.org.uk

Federation of Master Builders
Web: www.fmb.org.uk

Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers
Web: www.cibse.org

National Federation of Builders
Web: www.builders.org.uk

Guild of Builders and Contractors
Web: buildersguild.co.uk

Damp proofing

Property Care Association
Web: www.property-care.org

Electrical works

Electrical Contractors’ Association (ECA)
Web: www.eca.co.uk

National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting (NICEIC)
Web: www.niceic.com

IET Electrical
Web: www.electrical.theiet.org

ELECSA
Web: www.elecsa.co.uk

NAPIT
Web: www.napit.org.uk

Fire safety

London Fire Brigade (LFB)
Web: www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/property-management/

RedBook (BRE)
Web: www.redbooklive.com

Independent Fire Engineering & Distributors Association
Web: www.ifeda.org
The British Fire Consortium
Web: www.britishfireconsortium.org.uk

Fire Protection Association
Web: www.thefpa.co.uk

Fire Industry Association
Web: www.fia.uk.com

ELECSA
Web: www.elecsa.co.uk

International Fire Consultants
Web: www.ifccertification.com

British Wood Federation – Fire Door Alliance
Web: www.bwf.org.uk

British Standards Institution (BSI)

Glass and Glazing Federation
Web: www.ggf.org.uk

Intumescent Fire Seals Association
Web: www.ifsa.org.uk

Architectural and Specialist Door Manufacturers Association
Web: www.asdma.com

Association for Specialist Fire Protection
Web: www.asfp.org.uk

BAFE Fire Safety Register
Web: www.bafe.org.uk

Fire door inspection scheme
Web: www.fdis.co.uk

Door and Hardware Federation
Web: www.dhfonline.org.uk

The Guild of Architectural Ironmongers
Web: www.gai.org.uk

Institute of Fire Safety Managers
Web: www.ifsm.org.uk

Institution of Fire Engineers
Web: www.ife.org.uk
Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board  
Web: [www.ssaib.org](http://www.ssaib.org)

National Security Inspectorate  
Web: [www.nsi.org.uk](http://www.nsi.org.uk)

**Fire testing - UKAS accredited**

Loss Prevention Certification Board (LPCB – BRE)  
Web: [www.bregroup.com/products/lpcb](http://www.bregroup.com/products/lpcb)

BM TRADA  
Web: [www.bmtrada.com](http://www.bmtrada.com)

The Building Test Centre  
Web: [www.btconline.co.uk](http://www.btconline.co.uk)

Warringtonfire Testing and Certification Ltd.  
Web: [www.warringtonfire.com](http://www.warringtonfire.com)

International Fire Consultants (IFC Certification)  
Web: [www.ifccertification.com](http://www.ifccertification.com)

**Fire - sprinkler systems**

British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association  
Web: [www.bafsa.org.uk](http://www.bafsa.org.uk)

**Gas installers**

Gas Safe Register  
Web: [www.gassaferegister.co.uk](http://www.gassaferegister.co.uk)

**Glazing**

Glass and Glazing Federation  
Web: [www.ggf.org.uk](http://www.ggf.org.uk)

Double Glazing & Conservatory Ombudsman Scheme  
Web: [www.dgcos.org.uk](http://www.dgcos.org.uk)

**Heating**

HETAS  
Web: [www.hetas.co.uk](http://www.hetas.co.uk)

National Association of Chimney Sweeps  
Web: [www.nacs.org.uk](http://www.nacs.org.uk)
**Lighting (including emergency lighting)**

Institution of Lighting Professionals  
Web: [www.theilp.org.uk](http://www.theilp.org.uk)

Lighting Industry Association  
Web: [www.thelia.org.uk](http://www.thelia.org.uk)

**Pest control**

British Pest Control Association  
Web: [www.b pca.org.uk](http://www.b pca.org.uk)

National Pest Technicians Association  
Web: [www.npta.org.uk](http://www.npta.org.uk)

**Plumbers**

Association of Plumbing & Heating Contractors (TB)  
Web: [www.aphc.co.uk](http://www.aphc.co.uk)

The Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineering  
Web: [www.ciphe.org.uk](http://www.ciphe.org.uk)

**Roofers**

National Federation of Roofing Contractors  
Web: [www.nfrc.co.uk](http://www.nfrc.co.uk)

Confederation of Roofing Contractors  
Web: [www.corc.co.uk](http://www.corc.co.uk)

Institute of Roofing  
Web: [www.instituteofroofing.org](http://www.instituteofroofing.org)

**Security**

Master Locksmiths Association  
Web: [www.locksmiths.co.uk](http://www.locksmiths.co.uk)

British Security Industry Board  
Web: [www.bsia.co.uk](http://www.bsia.co.uk)

Secured By Design (Especially good for new build)  
Web: [www.securedbydesign.com](http://www.securedbydesign.com)

Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board  
Web: [www.ssaib.co.uk](http://www.ssaib.co.uk)
National Security Inspectorate (NSI)
Web: www.nsi.org.uk

Thermal insulation

Insulated Render & Cladding Association
Web: www.inca-ltd.org.uk

Thermal insulation Contractors Association
Web: www.tica-acad.co.uk

National Insulation Association
Web: www.nia-uk.org/

Energy Saving Trust
Web: www.energysavingtrust.org.uk

Draught Proofing Advisory Association
Web: www.dpaa-association.org.uk

Cavity Insulation Guarantee Agency
https://ciga.co.uk

Solid Wall Insulation Guarantee Agency
www.swiga.co.uk

Underpinning

Association of Specialist Underpinning Contractors
Web: www.asuc.org.uk

Miscellaneous
For certain works self-certified tradespeople can be used instead of applying for Building Regulation approval
Government - competent person scheme

Tradesperson websites

Local Heroes
Web: www.localheroes.com
Commercial site

Which Trusted Traders
Web: www.trustedtraders.which.co.uk
Commercial directory
Checkatrade
Web: www.checkatrade.com
Commercial directory

Trustmark
Web: www.trustmark.org.uk
Non-profit, government endorsed

My Builder
Web: www.mybuilder.com
Commercial site

Rated people
Web: www.ratedpeople.com
Commercial site

Buy with confidence
Web: www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk
Independent, run by trading standards

Fair Trades
Web: www.fairtrades.co.uk
Commercial site