

## FIRST AID INDUSTRY BODY (FAIB) RECOGNITION IN THE UK (2022)

### Recognition

The First Aid Industry Body (FAIB) Approve, Monitor and Regulate its Training Providers and Trainers/Assessors. Consequently, the First Aid certificates that are issued under FAIB are recognised, acknowledged and accepted by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and the Department for Education (DfE).

The Inspectors within HSE, DfE and OFSTED accept FAIB First Aid certificates as Equivalent to those First Aid certificates issued by an Awarding Body (under Ofqual/SQA/Qualification Wales/Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum Examinations and Assessment) and certificates issued by the Voluntary Aided Societies (St John Ambulance, the British Red Cross and St Andrews Ambulance Association). If you require any clarification from HSE you can contact Phil Smith (First Aid Policy) phil.smith@hse.gov.uk

### **Due Diligence**

FAIB provides **Due Diligence** on behalf of its Training Providers as agreed by Minister Mark Hoban M.P. on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 so that Employers can be assured of the competence of any FAIB Training Provider or FAIB Trainer/Assessor. (see Due Diligence document on FAIB website) (<a href="https://www.faib.co.uk">www.faib.co.uk</a>)

# **Quality Management System of FAIB (ISO 9001:2015)**

The Quality Management system at the First Aid Industry Body (FAIB) has achieved ISO 9001 (2015) for the Approval and Monitoring of Training Providers and Trainers/Assessors.

### FAIB Recognition by the Health & Safety Executive (HSE)

The HSE E Bulletin of 8 June 2016 stated "HSE notes that the First Aid Industry Body (FAIB) has gained third party certification via a UKAS accredited certification body in the Approval and Monitoring of First Aid Training Providers and First Aid Trainers/Assessors". "FAIB has been approved compliant with the requirements of ISO 9001:2015".

### Health & Safety Executive (HSE) Employers Guidance (2018)

HSE Guidance Document (Selecting a First Aid Training Provider-A Guide for Employers-April 2018) says "The (HSE) guidance does not promote, recommend or support any particular route to delivery. It does not comment on the quality of individual training courses or the service provided, nor does it provide an assessment of the quality assurance systems of any provider or class of provider".

### **Department for Education (DfE)**

The Department for Education and consequently OFSTED and its Inspectors recognise and accept FAIB Paediatric Qualifications as stated in the **Statutory Framework for Early Years Foundation Stage (Published 31 March 2021 & Effective 1 September 2021).** Paragraph 3.25 Addendum 30 (Page 27) states "Providers are responsible for identifying and selecting a competent Training Provider to deliver their Paediatric First Aid. Training is available from a range of Training Providers including: "a Training Provider that is a Member of a Trade Body with an Approval and Monitoring Scheme" (this includes the First Aid Industry Body).