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Welcome to

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About UKTC ensure™

UKTC ensure is the first third-party certification scheme to be designed around the principles of the golden thread as established by the Building Regulations Advisory Committee (BRAC).

Following the Grenfell inquiry, UKTC made the decision to create a third-party certification scheme that not only meets the recommendations of the report but exceeds requirements to offer a robust, future-proof certification scheme that offers stakeholders confidence in the quality, reliability and safety of passive fire products. UKTC ensure integrates seamlessly with the golden thread framework, ensuring that all product information is maintained digitally and securely whilst being publicly accessible.

By achieving UKTC ensure certification, you showcase your commitment to a safer future.
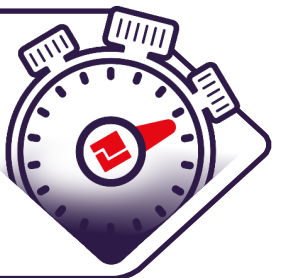
The Golden Thread & UKTC ensure™ Principles

- ✔ 'Accurate and trusted'
- ✔ 'Culture change'
- ✔ 'Secure'
- ✔ 'Understandable/consistent'
- ✔ 'Longevity/durability and shareability'
- ✔ 'Residents feeling secure in their homes'
- ✔ 'Single source of truth'
- ✔ 'Accountable'
- ✔ 'Simple to access (accessible)'
- ✔ 'Relevant/proportionate'

A streamlined pathway to certification

Accelerate your product certification process with our streamlined approach. We ensure thoroughness and accuracy without compromise, allowing you to stay ahead of the competition and respond quickly to market demands with UKTC ensure.

UKTC ensure™ digital vault

The ensure vault is a secure online repository for certification documents, offering real-time updates and robust version control. It ensures accurate, up-to-date information is always available, improving efficiency and reducing the risk of discrepancies.

Giving you the competitive advantage

Differentiate your products in the marketplace with ensure certification, demonstrating a commitment to the highest standards of fire safety and compliance. UKTC ensure™ will provide trust to key stakeholders that your product is suitable for their projects.

"The golden thread is both the information that allows you to understand a building and the steps needed to keep both the building and people safe, now and in the future.

Golden Thread Summary
Building Regulations Advisory Committee

Road to
Certification

Deliver **assurance** to your customers.

	UKTC ensure™	Other 3rd Party Certification Schemes
Digital Vault	✔	✘
Accessible Product Information	✔	✘
Golden Thread Compatibility	✔	✘
Premium Customisable Certification Mark	✔	✘

A Process You Can Trust.

Evaluation

We review the relevant test and assessment evidence to provide a clearly defined scope for certification of the product.

Sampling / Testing

During the FPC audit, we will sample the products that are to be initial type tested (ITT) that will be used as evidence towards the product certification.

Ongoing Surveillance

A surveillance audit will be done annually to ensure that the FPC systems continue to meet the requirements of the scheme.

FPC Audit

A Factory Production Control (FPC) audit is performed at each site where the product is produced. The audit will be carried out in general accordance with ISO9001, along with the additional requirements of the UKTC ensure scheme.

Certification

The certificate is prepared based on supporting data, tests, and the results of the FPC audit. It will then be available to download via the UKTC ensure vault, along with supporting manufacturer information.
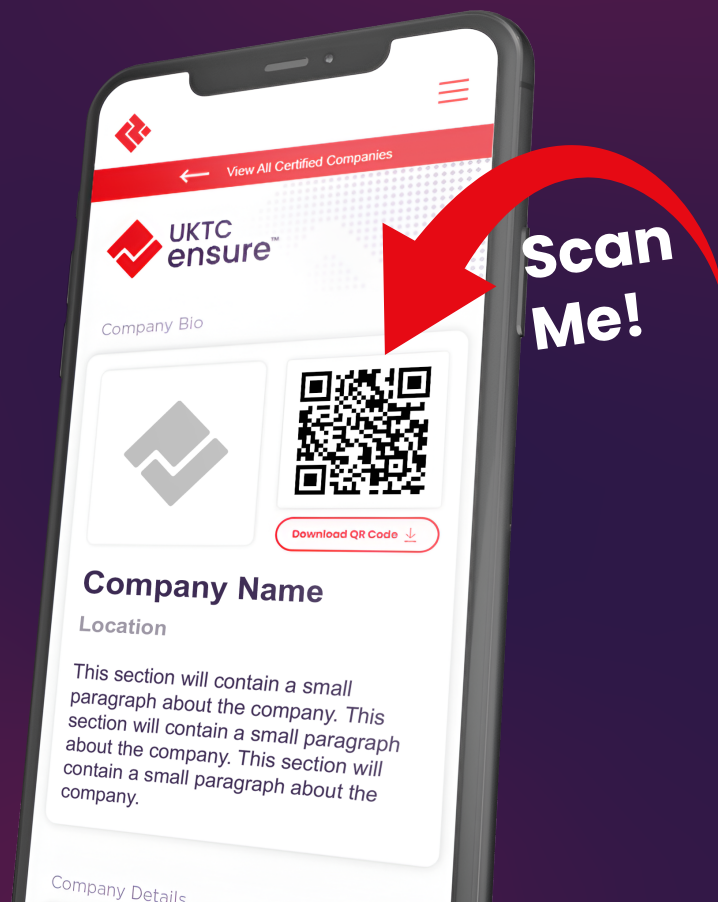
Audit Testing

During the annual surveillance audit, samples will be selected for the required audit tests to ensure that the FPC system continues to satisfy the declared performance.

UKTC
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Demonstrating compliance has never been easier.

The UKTC ensure™ Digital Vault is a secure repository for all certification documents, providing easy accessibility in one place. With real-time updates and robust version control, it ensures the most accurate and current information is available at all times. This centralised approach enhances overall document management efficiency and minimises the risk of discrepancies.
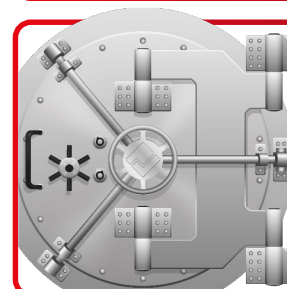
Scan Me!

Company Name
Location

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All the information you need, in **your hands.**

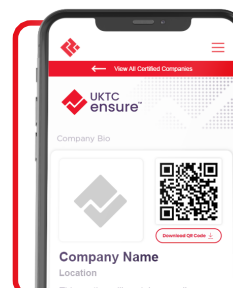## Three easy steps to **access information…**

1. Scan QR Code on ensure label

Use your mobile phone camera to scan the QR code found on the ensure label, which will take you to your company page on the UKTC ensure Vault.

2. Browse certified company

All certified company pages include a company overview, location, address, contact details as well as UKTC ensure scheme information.

3. Downloadable content

Download certificates and any relevant technical information - including Installation, maintenance and handling instructions, classification reports, extended field of application reports and even test reports, all included in your certification fees.

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marking

A statement of **quality** and **compliance.**

UKTC ensure™ marking is designed to be clear and unambiguous, making it easy for stakeholders to verify compliance via the QR code. This digital verification method streamlines compliance checks, enhancing efficiency for manufacturers and regulatory bodies alike.
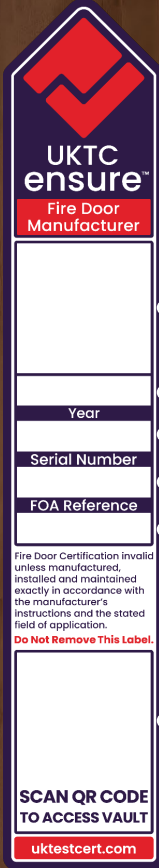
By maintaining a standardized and transparent approach to labelling, UKTC ensure™ helps eliminate confusion and ensures that all relevant parties, including regulators, businesses, and consumers, can quickly and accurately assess the legitimacy of a product's certification.

"By complying with the golden thread through UKTC ensure, you will have gained a competitive advantage and given your end users additional confidence in your products."

Matthew Dale
Certification Officer

UKTC ensure™ Fire Door Label

- Your Logo
- Door Classification
- Year of Manufacture
- Product Serial Number
- Field of Application Reference
- QR Code to ensure vault

UKTC ensure™ Walls & Partitions Label

- Date of Production
- Wall Classification
- Your Logo
- Certificate Number
- QR Code to ensure vault

Always
happy to help

Our
Certification
Experts

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Bringing over two decades of experience in product certification, Ian has honed his expertise through diverse roles in various UK certification bodies. His wealth of knowledge and insight into industry standards make him the perfect fit to lead the development and continuation of our third-party certification scheme, UKTC ensure.

Matthew Dale
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Prior to Joining UKTC, Matt spent two years at the British Board of Agrément as Principal Certification Officer following more than twenty years at another testing laboratory in a similar role. Matt's expertise has seen him represent the UK at the United Nations for International Maritime Organisation meetings as well as representing other approved bodies on roof and rolling stock committees.

Trusted to ensure

UKTC's mission is **to ensure life-safety by empowering businesses to showcase their compliance.** The "why" behind our existence lies in the fundamental belief that adherence to regulations and standards is paramount for preserving life and property.

By facilitating businesses in demonstrating their commitment to compliance, we contribute to a safer built environment. We recognize that life-safety is a collective responsibility, and our "why" embodies the ethos of fostering a culture where businesses actively participate in upholding the highest standards to protect communities and assets.

Testing

We offer fire resistance, reaction to fire, and other specialised tests to ensure product safety and compliance. Our advanced labs use cutting-edge technology to provide accurate and reliable results with industry-leading report times.

Technical

Our technical services offer the opportunity for customers to demonstrate enhanced reputation, quality, performance and reliability of their products and services through Extended Field of Applications (EXAP's) and Classifications reports to the relevant standards.

We are trusted by the UK's leading passive fire & construction product manufacturers.

Visit **uktestcert.com** to learn more.

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