

Martyn's Law Readiness Checklist

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025
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Martyn's Law is not yet in force - it's expected to commence from spring 2027 - but the guidance is published and preparing now means you're ready in good time, not scrambling later. Use this checklist to see where your organisation stands.

Which tier applies to you? Based on the maximum number of people (including staff) reasonably expected on site at the same time, at peak times.

PART 1: Standard Tier

Premises expecting 200–799 people at the same time

Getting started

- ☐ Identified a named responsible person for the premises
- ☐ Assessed peak capacity (including staff, not just visitors)
- ☐ Confirmed the premises is in scope and not excluded under the Act

Public protection procedures (Section 5)

- ☐ Evacuation procedure — getting people safely out of the premises
- ☐ Invacuation procedure — moving people to safety inside the premises
- ☐ Lockdown procedure — restricting or preventing entry (locking doors, shutters, barriers)
- ☐ Communication procedure — alerting people on-site to danger and giving instructions

Staff readiness

- ☐ Staff are aware of the procedures and their own role in each one
- ☐ Staff have the confidence and training to act rapidly and effectively — not just a written policy on file
- ☐ Registered as the responsible person with the Security Industry Authority (SIA)

Note: procedures are expected to be simple and low-cost — there's no requirement to buy equipment or hire consultants.

PART 2: Enhanced Tier

Premises and qualifying events expecting 800+ people

Enhanced tier premises must meet all Standard Tier requirements above, plus the following:

Public protection measures (Section 6)

- ☐ Monitoring — measures to monitor the premises and immediate vicinity
- ☐ Movement of individuals — measures to control the movement of people on-site
- ☐ Physical safety and security — physical measures that reduce vulnerability to an attack
- ☐ Security of information — protecting sensitive details (layouts, systems, security arrangements) from disclosure

Governance and documentation

- ☐ Designated a senior individual responsible for compliance (where the responsible person is an organisation, not an individual)
- ☐ Prepared a compliance document recording all procedures and measures in place
- ☐ Compliance document provided to the SIA
- ☐ Registered as the responsible person with the SIA

Ongoing review

- ☐ Procedures and measures are reviewed and kept up to date
- ☐ Staff receive regular, scenario-based refresher training

Not sure which tier applies, or where the gaps are?

RGL Safety & Resilience offers practical, scenario-based training to help your team meet Martyn's Law requirements with genuine confidence, not just a policy on paper. Get in touch to discuss training for your organisation ahead of the spring 2027 commencement.

Contact us at: rglsafety.co.uk/contact/

Sources: Home Office statutory guidance (April 2026) and ProtectUK, gov.uk. This checklist is for general guidance only and does not constitute legal advice.