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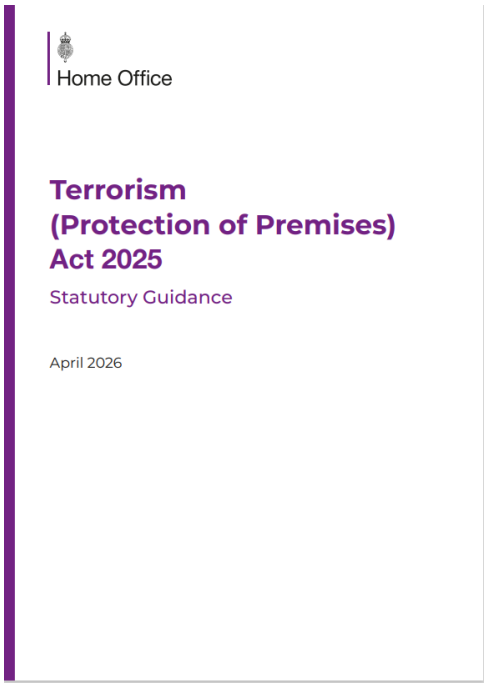
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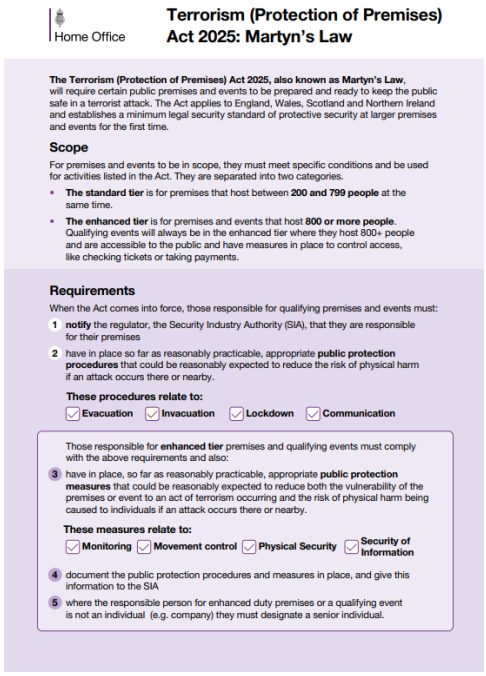
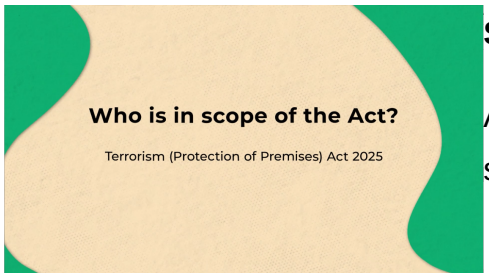
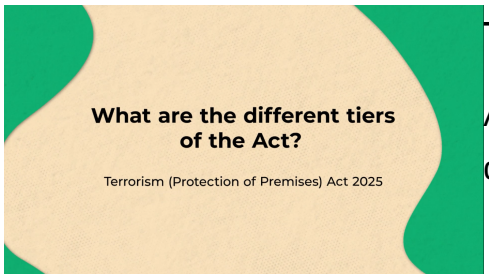
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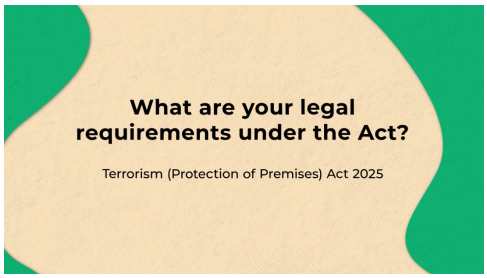
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This page provides supporting materials to help you prepare for the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 also known as Martyn’s Law. These resources are designed to support you during the implementation period.

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Statutory Guidance	Explains core concepts and enables those responsible for premises and events to determine whether they fall within the scope of the legislation (also known as 'Martyn's Law') and how to comply with legal duties. A correction slip was added to the statutory guidance on 6th August 2026. The new PDF and HTML versions are available on GOV.UK.	View Statutory Guidance on GOV.UK

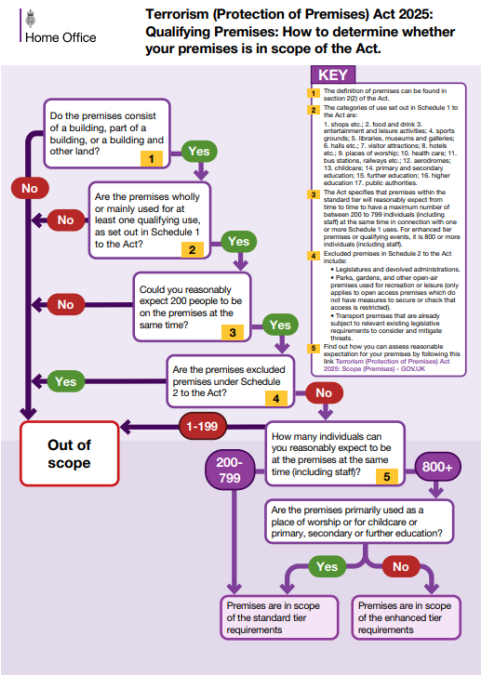
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Security Industry Authority	**Standard tier planning tool** This tool will help you plan your approach to compliance with Martyn's Law.	View standard tier planning tool on GOV.UK
Security Industry Authority	**Enhanced tier compliance template** This template will help you plan and document your approach to compliance with Martyn's Law.	View enhanced tier compliance template on GOV.UK
	One Page Leaflet Explains the Act's scope, requirements, the responsible person, and regulator.	Download PDF 135KB

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	**Overview - video animation** A short overview of the new Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act, known as Martyn's Law.	Watch or download video MP4 44.9MB
	**Scope - video animation** A short video outlining who is in scope of the new Act.	Watch or download video MP4 58.6MB
	**Tiers - video animation** A short video explaining the different tiers of the Act.	Watch or download video MP4 56.8MB
	Legal requirements - video animation A short video stating your legal requirements under the Act.	Watch or download video MP4 57.4MB

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	**Public protection procedures - video animation** A short video setting out the actions staff can take to reduce the risk of harm, if there is a suspected terrorist attack at or near the premises or event.	Watch or download video MP4 87MB
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	**Reasonably practicable - video animation** A short video explaining what 'reasonably practicable' means in relation to appropriate public protection procedures.	Watch or download video MP4 52MB
	Responsible person – video animation A short video defining responsible persons for qualifying premises and events.	Watch or download video MP4 98MB

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	**Regulator - video animation** A short video explaining the role of the Security Industry Authority, the official regulator responsible for overseeing and enforcing Martyn's Law across the UK.	Watch or download video MP4 217MB
	Premises infographic Helps to determine whether your premises will be in scope of the Act.	Download PDF 52.8KB

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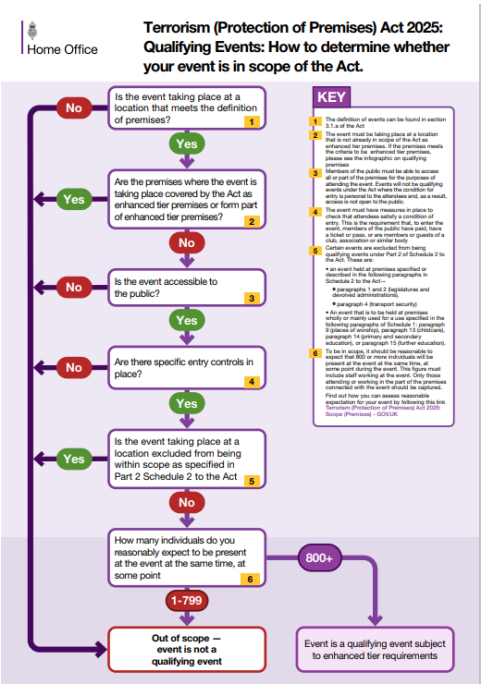
Event infographic

Helps to determine whether your event will be in scope of the Act.

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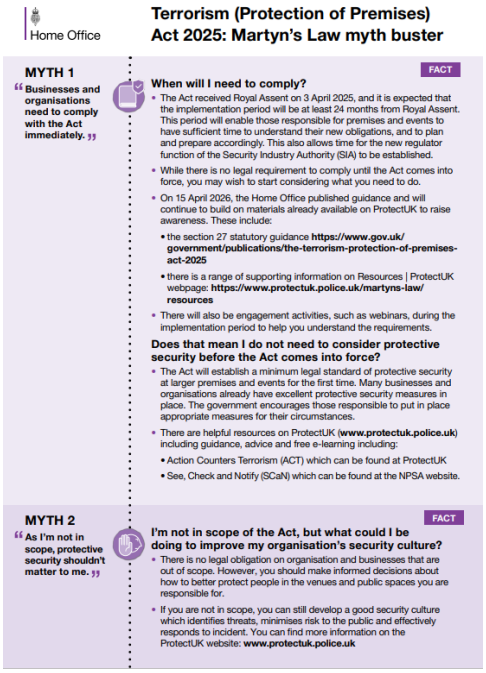
Myth buster

Addresses misconceptions about the Act; discourages the use of third-party providers; and encourages organisations to put effective protective security in place

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Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025: Martyn's Law myth buster

MYTH 1

"Businesses and organisations need to comply with the Act immediately."

FACT

When will I need to comply?

- The Act received Royal Assent on 3 April 2025, and it is expected that the implementation period will be at least 24 months from Royal Assent. This period will enable those responsible for premises and events to have sufficient time to understand their new obligations, and to plan and prepare accordingly. This also allows time for the new regulator function of the Security Industry Authority (SIA) to be established.
- While there is no legal requirement to comply until the Act comes into force, you may wish to start considering what you need to do.
- On 15 April 2026, the Home Office published guidance and will continue to build on materials already available on ProtectUK to raise awareness. These include:
  - the section 27 statutory guidance **https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-terrorism-protection-of-premises-act-2025**
  - there is a range of supporting information on Resources | ProtectUK webpage: **https://www.protectuk.police.uk/martyns-law/resources**
- There will also be engagement activities, such as webinars, during the implementation period to help you understand the requirements.

Does that mean I do not need to consider protective security before the Act comes into force?

- The Act will establish a minimum legal standard of protective security at larger premises and events for the first time. Many businesses and organisations already have excellent protective security measures in place. The government encourages those responsible to put in place appropriate measures for their circumstances.
- There are helpful resources on ProtectUK (**www.protectuk.police.uk**) including guidance, advice and free e-learning including:
  - Action Counters Terrorism (ACT) which can be found at ProtectUK
  - See, Check and Notify (SCaN) which can be found at the NPSA website.

MYTH 2

"As I'm not in scope, protective security shouldn't matter to me."

FACT

I'm not in scope of the Act, but what could I be doing to improve my organisation's security culture?

- There is no legal obligation on organisation and businesses that are out of scope. However, you should make informed decisions about how to better protect people in the venues and public spaces you are responsible for.
- If you are not in scope, you can still develop a good security culture which identifies threats, minimises risk to the public and effectively responds to incident. You can find more information on the ProtectUK website: **www.protectuk.police.uk**

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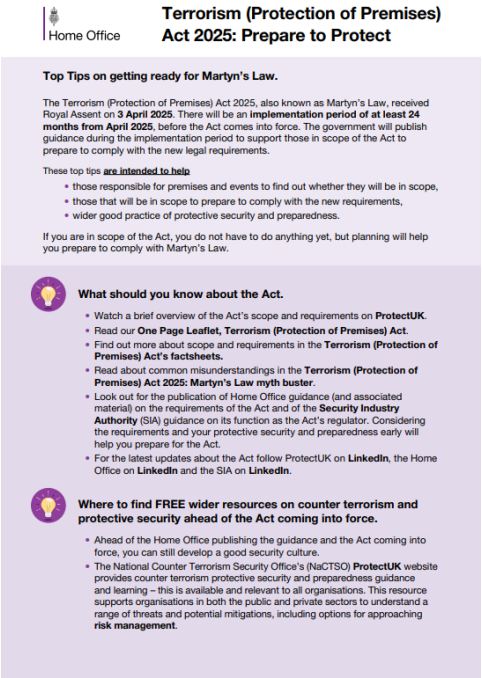
Top tips

The Top Tips will help those responsible for premises and events to prepare to comply with the new requirements and assist in wider good practice for protective security and preparedness.

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Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025: Prepare to Protect

Top Tips on getting ready for Martyn's Law.

The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025, also known as Martyn's Law, received Royal Assent on **3 April 2025**. There will be an **implementation period of at least 24 months from April 2025**, before the Act comes into force. The government will publish guidance during the implementation period to support those in scope of the Act to prepare to comply with the new legal requirements.

These top tips **are intended to help**

- those responsible for premises and events to find out whether they will be in scope,
- those that will be in scope to prepare to comply with the new requirements,
- wider good practice of protective security and preparedness.

If you are in scope of the Act, you do not have to do anything yet, but planning will help you prepare to comply with Martyn's Law.

What should you know about the Act.

- Watch a brief overview of the Act's scope and requirements on **ProtectUK**.
- Read our **One Page Leaflet, Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act**.
- Find out more about scope and requirements in the **Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act's factsheets.**
- Read about common misunderstandings in the **Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025: Martyn's Law myth buster**.
- Look out for the publication of Home Office guidance (and associated material) on the requirements of the Act and of the **Security Industry Authority** (SIA) guidance on its function as the Act's regulator. Considering the requirements and your protective security and preparedness early will help you prepare for the Act.
- For the latest updates about the Act follow ProtectUK on **LinkedIn**, the Home Office on **LinkedIn** and the SIA on **LinkedIn**.

Where to find FREE wider resources on counter terrorism and protective security ahead of the Act coming into force.

- Ahead of the Home Office publishing the guidance and the Act coming into force, you can still develop a good security culture.
- The National Counter Terrorism Security Office's (NaCTSO) **ProtectUK** website provides counter terrorism protective security and preparedness guidance and learning – this is available and relevant to all organisations. This resource supports organisations in both the public and private sectors to understand a range of threats and potential mitigations, including options for approaching **risk management**.

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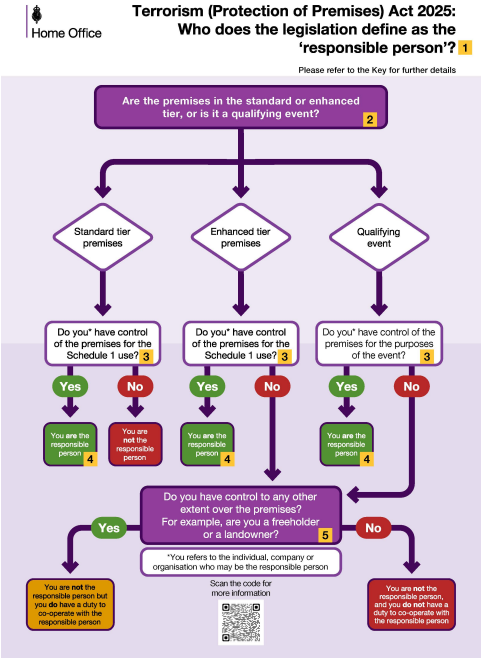
Responsible person

Infographic outlining the legislative definition of 'responsible person'.

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Notification requirement

Guidance on the requirement to notify the Security Industry Authority (SIA) under section 9 of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025.

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Guidance: Notification requirement

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act: principal use of premises

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How to determine the principal use of premises where they are used for 2 or more uses in Schedule 1 to the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act.

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Guidance: Principal Use

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