Sfpe engineering guide to fire risk assessment pdf

The Society of Fire Protection Engineers offers a free fire risk assessment course to improve understanding of how to reduce the risk of fire in a building or facility. The course, entitled Introduction to Fire Risk Assessment, consists of 19 online lectures, each lasting about 15 minutes. SFPE notes that this course was primarily designed for fire and fire officers, but we believe it can also be useful for facility managers and building operators, or just about anyone who wants to learn about a rigorous approach to fire risk assessment. The series of video lectures offers a self-learning environment with the possibility to pause, rewind and reproduce the presented materials at their own pace. In addition, a guide that accompanies the course, engineering guide to fire risk assessment, developed and published by SFPE, is available separately from the SFPE website. The guide applies to situations where new designs are developed to reduce the risk of fire in a building or facility, or where the risk is assessed in an existing building or facility to determine whether it is acceptable. The guide covers the following topics: definition of project scope and objectives, definition of risk acceptance thresholds, development of fire scenarios and scenario clusters, data for risk analysis, frequency analysis, impact analysis, risk assessment, uncertainty analysis, risk assessment and documentation. The course reviews and discusses Session 1: Introductory Session 2: Organisation of Guide Session 3: Overview Session 4: Stakeholder Session 5: Decision Decision Session 6: Fire Risk Assessment Process Session 7: Project Scope and Goals Session 8: Strategic Goals Session 9: Risk Perception Session 10: Hazards Session 11: Fire Scenarios Session 12: Scenario Structure Session 13: Data Session 14: Frequency Session 15 : Consequential Analysis Session 16 : Risk Assessment Session 17: Uncertainty Analysis Session 18: Risk Assessment Session 19: Documentation The course's video presentations are free of charge for members and non-members and are available on the SFPE website (click here). WHY ASSESS FIRE RISKS? In the vast majority of history, the fire risks to the design of buildings have not been assessed, so why start now? There are a number of answers to this question, but the main motivation is to avoid the many and many multiple fatalities of fire disasters that have taken place in the past. These disasters are well known to fire experts; in order to avoid the risk of omissions, they are not Paradoxically, one of the things that past disasters have in common is that they are all different. They are in different building types, with different causes and contributors. So it seems to be doing everything that is done to prevent the last disaster from happening again, the next disaster is. to be almost completely different. The fire risk assessment provides an opportunity to address the potential risks of any foreseeable potential future disaster, not just the last. Occurrence s. Frequency, F-range rating Never < 1 in 10,000 years 0 Remote 1 in 1,000 to 1 in 9,999 years 1 Rare 1 in 100 to 1 in 999 years 2 Rare 1 in 10 to 1 in 99 years 3 Occasional 1 to 1 in 9 years 4 Frequently once a year 5 Frequently > 10 times a year 6 Table 1. Example of frequency ratings for the matrix method Another reason for assessing fire risks in building planning is that risk (and its management) is at the heart of the engineering process, standards, testing, certification, etc. For example, a somewhat tongue-in-cheek definition of engineering is that engineering is the art of modeling materials that we do not fully understand, in forms that we cannot accurately analyze to withstand forces that we can properly assess, so that the public has no reason to suspect the extent of our ignorance. This quote, by the way, comes from the president of the Institution of Civil Engineers in 1946, so perhaps one of his other messages is that even mature engineering disciplines never stop questioning the basis on which they practice. Closer to performance-oriented fire protection planning practice, the principle of equivalence is often used to determine whether an alternative design solution is suitable. Equivalence can be defined as: ... prove that a building in the intended form poses no greater risk to the residents than a similar building designed according to established codes. Although the equivalence of most alternative solutions can be assessed at face value or by means of deterministic performance-based analyses (e.g. smoke movements and evacuation analyses), the true metric of equivalence is the risk by this definition. However, most fire risk assessments are carried out because it is a legal requirement. In some countries, it is required by law to carry out a fire risk assessment that is appropriate and sufficient. Industries with high risk around the world tend to have a regime where a security case is required; often these safety cases are risk-based and involve fire as a hazard. In many countries, corporate governance boards also have to deal with the risks (including fires) to which the organization is exposed. QUALITATIVE FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT Most people in society carry out risk assessments without realising it – for example, when crossing the road. Sometimes fire safety engineers do the same. the review process at the beginning of a performance-based fire protection design process [known as Fire Protection Engineering Design Brief (FPEDB) or Qualitative Design Review (QDR)2] usually contains a list of tasks, including: Review the design of the building set building set Safety planning objectives Identification of fire hazards and possible consequences Identification of fire fire fire protection plans Agreement on acceptance criteria and analysis methods Identify the fire/occupant scenarios for the analysis report The process of qualitative fire risk assessment of existing buildings (in the UNITED Kingdom3) identifies the following tasks: Identifying fire hazard sources of ignition sources of the fuel source Sources Identify vulnerable persons in and around the premises Persons who are particularly vulnerable. Remove, Reduce and Protect From Risks Assess the risk of fire Removal or Reduce Fire Hazard Removal or Reduce Risks to People - Detection and Warning - FireFighting - Escape Routes - Lighting - Signs and Notes - Maintenance Recording, Plan, Information, Inform and Train Important Findings and Measures Taken to Inform an Emergency Plan and Assign Relevant Persons; Collaborate and coordinate with other agencies to evaluate the review training that will be reviewed when necessary. There is a similarity between these and other qualitative risk assessment procedures.4,5,6,7,8 Qualitative risk assessments alone may be sufficient for small and simple premises where the risk of fire is naturally low. However, qualitative methods may not be sufficient for larger, more complex premises where the risk of fire could of course be higher. SEMI-QUANTITATIVE FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT It is often necessary to identify a wide range of fire risks and then prioritize the way these risks are addressed. The semi-quantitative fire risk assessment provides a way to assess and prioritize a whole range of fire risks that can be present in a complex building. The matrix method is one of the most popular and robust examples of this type of risk assessment approach. The matrix method defines a number of categories for how often things can go wrong (Table 1) and another set of categories for how bad undesirable fire events can be (Tables 2 and 3). Severity (life safety), S-rating No 0 Slight injuries 1 Serious injuries 2 One fatality 3 Multiple deaths 4 Table 2. Example of severity ratings for the matrix method Each rating in each series usually represents an order of magnitude, so no great accuracy is implied in the matrix method. With the help of a group of people familiar with the building under investigation and relevant historical information, it is possible to assign an occurrence frequency and a severity assessment. These ratings can then be combined to give a risk assessment for each area (Table 3). This can be a powerful way to prioritize risk mitigation or analyze the risks with the highest risks in more detail. Location Risk Assessment Extension Site Works 7.0 Retail Outlets 6.0 Hall and Forecourt 5.0 Platforms and Access Street 5.0 Clothing Store 4.0 4.0 Station 3.0 Public Highway 3.0 Hotel Way 2.0 Table 3. Example of Combined Risk Assessments for the Matrix Method Although these comparative risk assessments can be useful in prioritizing risk mitigation and identifying areas worthy of further analysis, they provide insufficient refinement for comparing alternative life safety solutions or criteria or for assessing other fire safety investments. Better information is needed to carry out these more detailed tasks. THE LARGEST FIRE EXPERIMENT IN THE WORLD In search of better information to predict the fire risk, and there: What can go wrong will go wrong. – Disreali If you can't measure it, you can't control it. Lord Kelvin If you were to make the future divine, you have to study the past. – Confucian It might be worth considering the world's largest fire experiment and its participants. Every time a building is used, it could be considered in a philosophical sense as an experiment in fire protection. Almost always the experiment ends safely and there is no fire. Every time a building has a fire, it is possible to measure the fire risk by collecting data with the intention of improving control over it. This data can be analyzed to obtain information about problem areas or building types that may need to be improved. This can be a very powerful way to look back at fire protection across building segments or specific types of buildings, but it can't be very helpful when planning the future potential fire risks of a particular building. QUANTITATIVE FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT A full quantitative fire risk assessment may be required to take into account the future potential fire risks of a particular building in the design. This approach combines probabilistic information from fire report data with predictions about the physical consequences of fire events. Figure 1 shows the main tasks of a fully quantitative fire risk assessment, where: hazard identification – what can go wrong? Frequency analysis - how often is it likely? Impact analysis - how bad could it be? Risk acceptance - what should be done about it? Figure 1. Quantitative Fire Risk Assessment Process6 How often could things go wrong? One of the biggest challenges in quantifying the future fire risk for a particular building design is that events of the utmost importance are very rare and in many cases have not yet occurred and are not recorded in the fire report data. it is necessary to divide the fire event process into many sub-events (for which data is available) so that they can be reconstructed to predict the probable frequency of fire events that have not yet occurred. As a rule, this is done by event trees and fault trees (Figures 2 and 3). Figure 2 Example of an Event Tree9 Figure 3. Example of a Fault Tree10 Event Tree are useful in all possible results (on the right) from an animating event (on the left), which is usually an ignition for fire risks. The frequency of the anitating event can be estimated using fire report data, and the conditional probabilities of the sub-events can be quantified using fire report data or fault trees. Fault trees are useful in quantifying the probability of a top event of concern (e.g. failure of a fire protection system) for all possible causes (below), which in turn are quantified from fire report data. It is not uncommon for concerns to be expressed about the quality of the data used in this analysis. However, the reasons why quantitative risk assessments are performed, despite the limitations of the available data, include: much can be learned (and thus improved) about the error modes of a design by simply creating error and event trees. The numerical result should never be treated as a precise prediction; it is just another way to better inform a design decision, just as normative standards and deterministic performance-based analytics are used to improve design decisions. The quantitative assessment of fire risk should therefore not be treated as an accurate prediction – just as a fire test on a new item cannot guarantee the performance of all subsequent items in all applications throughout the life of a product. However, you can both improve the risk outcome of a draft. How bad could it be? After estimating how often things could go wrong to predict the extent of the fire risk, it is also necessary to consider how bad the outcome of a series of fire events could be. The potentially most accurate way to estimate how bad a fire could be is through large-scale fire experiments. While this may be the most interesting way to predict consequences, it would quickly become prohibitively expensive and time-consuming for the broader range of fire events considered in quantitative risk assessment. Therefore, most quantitative fire risk assessments use computer models to predict consequences. What should be done about it? After the fire risks have been quantified by building planning on the basis of frequency and follow-up analysis, the crucial question then arises as to what should be done about it. To inform this decision, it is worth considering why people accept or tolerate risks.11 The most common reason people accept or tolerate risks is simply that they accept or tolerate risks. are not aware of it. The risks associated with asbestos and smoking used to fit into this category. The simple conduct of a fire risk assessment should help to reduce the number of fire risks. The next most common reason for people to accept risks is that the risk is so low that it has little or no (negligible) concern. People also tolerate risks if there is a significant benefit as a result of activity related to the risk. An example of this On the road, which is still popular even when many people are injured and killed in road accidents every year. Risk acceptance also identifies some interesting paradoxes. Why, for example, are most people who are afraid of flying happy to drive? Flying is much safer than driving a car, but people tend to be more afraid of flying. The difference can usually be explained by the insight that people are happy to accept a higher risk in an activity if they feel they have some control over the risk level. This means that people feel that they have a high level of risk control when driving (voluntary risk) and little risk control (involuntary risk) when flying. This could also explain why companies in individual dwellings are generally more tolerant of fire risks than in public buildings.12 In fire risk assessment in construction, the acceptance criteria may vary: for life safety (in the absence of absolute risk criteria), fire risks are usually compared with fire risks for a similar type of building designed according to established codes; There are usually some financial costs/benefits or returns for financial fire protection targets. EXAMPLES OF THE APPLICATION OF FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT TO BUILDING DESIGN In the following cases, the quantitative fire risk assessment was used in conjunction with non-prescriptive guidelines and deterministic performance-based fire protection planning to provide additional insights and a more complete perspective on the fire protection design of the buildings. Fields Shopping Center, Denmark Fields was the first shopping center to be built in Denmark. While its construction could be considered standard in some countries, the development was related to a general concern related to fire protection in retail buildings. The Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) called for a quantitative assessment of fire risk to complement the code-compliant and performance-based design aspects of the project. Due to its general concerns about fire safety in the retail sector, AHJ developed some absolute fire risk criteria. The fire risk assessment showed that fire risks were below the risk criteria in all retail sectors of the development. The predicted risk level (similar to Figure 4) also showed a difference between small and large units (the risks were higher in the latter). At this early stage of the design, system designers were able to reduce the fire risk in the large units at minimal additional cost by reducing the reliability of some important fire protection systems. Figure 4. Example of F-n curve showing different risk levels7 Rail infrastructure Although the life risks from fires have been historically and consistently low, a major rail infrastructure operator was concerned about the number of fires, undesirable fire signals and their financial consequences for the Therefore, a series of risk workshops were conducted using the matrix method to prioritize the areas with the highest fire risk and to identify possible risk mitigation measures. Subsequently, the risk costs/benefits of these risk mitigation measures were quantified and they were all presented in a graph in the order of cost-benefit ratio (similar to in this 5). Figure 5. Example of risk-cost-benefit ratios for a number of fire protection investment options12 The graph showed that 80% of the risk mitigation benefit could be realized from only 15% of the potential investment. This meant that for an investment of USD 3 million, a return of USD 14 million would be possible at the turn of the year (no amortisation or discounted cash flow analysis). in addition, bad investments of 22 million dollars could be avoided. It was also an advantage for users of the railway infrastructure, as many of the risk reduction measures improved punctuality while maintaining fire protection. Fire safety guidelines Much of the current guidance is now provided by statistical analysis of fire report data, and in some cases no changes are made unless they are risk/cost-promoting. In the United Kingdom, for example, it was found that the proposal to neglect an additional staircase in high-rise buildings after 11/11 9009 did not pose a risk/cost-benefit risk. In other words, the increased cost of prescribing the provision far exceeded any likely reduction in risk. Therefore, the recipe also includes the alternative to improving the elevator supply for use during the evacuations. David A. Charters is at BRE Global.

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