Martyn's Law checklist: duties by tier

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025. Premises or event: [name] Address: [address] Completed by: [name, role] Date: [date]

Status on 23 November 2026: the duties in sections 5 to 10 of the Act are not in force yet. The SIA expects the Act to come into force in spring 2027 and will confirm the date beforehand. Nothing needs to be sent to the SIA before then. Use this checklist to prepare. It lists what the law requires; it does not replace the Home Office section 27 statutory guidance or legal advice.

Part A: is it in scope, and in which tier?

A1. Premises (all four must apply)

	Test	Law
☐	The site is a building, part of a building or a group of buildings, or a building with other land.	s.2(2)(a)
☐	It is wholly or mainly used for one or more Schedule 1 uses: shops, food and drink, entertainment and leisure, sports grounds, libraries/museums/galleries, halls and venues for hire, visitor attractions, hotels/hostels/holiday parks, places of worship, health care, stations, aerodromes, childcare, schools, further education, higher education, public authority services.	s.2(2)(b), Sch. 1
☐	It is reasonable to expect that, from time to time, 200 or more people may be present at the same time, staff included.	s.2(2)(c)
☐	It is not excluded: legislature buildings; open-air parks, gardens, recreation grounds or undesignated sports grounds without entry checks; transport premises under an existing security plan or direction.	s.2(2)(d), Sch. 2 Pt 1

Greatest number expected at the same time, staff included	
Method used to reach that number (the SIA notification asks for it)	
Principal Schedule 1 use	
Result: out of scope / standard tier / enhanced tier	

Tier: 200 to 799 people = standard tier; 800 or more = enhanced tier (s.2(3)). Places of worship, childcare, schools and further education stay in the standard tier at any number (Sch. 1 paras 9, 13, 14, 15). Higher education is not on that list. A one-off surge that could not reasonably be expected does not change the tier (statutory guidance paras 4.33 to 4.34).

A2. Event (all six must apply to be a qualifying event)

	Test	Law
☐	It is held at a building, other land, or both (a field or a park counts).	s.3(1)(a)
☐	The premises are not enhanced tier premises and not part of them.	s.3(1)(b)
☐	Members of the public can get in to attend (invite-only weddings or staff parties are not public).	s.3(1)(c)
☐	It is reasonable to expect 800 or more people present at the same time at some point, staff included.	s.3(1)(d)
☐	Entry is checked: paid, ticket or pass, or member or guest of a club or association. A dress code, a search or a suggested donation does not count.	s.3(1)(e)
☐	It is not held at legislature, devolved-government or transport-security premises, or at premises mainly used as a place of worship, for childcare, a school or further education. Parks are not excluded for events.	s.3(1)(f), Sch. 2 Pt 2

A qualifying event carries the same duties as enhanced tier premises. Where only parts of an event have entry checks, each such part is treated as a separate event (s.3(2)).

Part B: duties for every tier (standard, enhanced and qualifying events)

B1. Notify the SIA (section 9)

	What to send	Ready? Notes	Law
☐	Names and contact details of each responsible person and of others you must co-ordinate with; trading names; company or charity number.		SI 2026/793 Sch. Pt 1
☐	Others with control of the premises or event, and their relationship to you.		Sch. para 4
☐	Postal address and postcode; other qualifying premises or events you are responsible for.		Sch. paras 6, 7
☐	Greatest number expected at the same time, and the method used.		Sch. paras 8, 9
☐	Websites and social media accounts used to advertise the premises or event.		Sch. para 10
☐	Alcohol, entertainment and sports ground licences or certificates, with dates and issuing authority.		Sch. para 11
☐	Premises only: Schedule 1 use, buildings in the group, larger premises you sit within, outside seating.		Sch. Pt 2

Deadlines once section 9 is in force: premises within 3 months of commencement day, or within 28 days of becoming responsible if later; events within 14 days of commencement day or of the event first being publicised; changes within 28 days (premises) or 14 days (events). Notify through the SIA online portal.

B2. Public protection procedures (section 5)

So far as is reasonably practicable, appropriate procedures for staff to follow if they suspect an attack on the premises, at the event or in the immediate vicinity.

	Procedure	What you have in place	Law
☐	Evacuation: getting people out of the premises or event, or part of it.		s.5(3)(a)
☐	Invacuation: moving people to a safer place inside, including bringing people in from outside.		s.5(3)(b)
☐	Lockdown: stopping people entering or leaving (locks, shutters, barriers).		s.5(3)(c)
☐	Communication: alerting people and giving instructions.		s.5(3)(d)
☐	Staff who carry out the procedures know them and their own role. No specific training is required by law.		Guidance 7.51 to 7.53

B3. Co-ordinate (section 8)

	Item	Law
☐	If more than one person is responsible, or your premises sit inside other qualifying premises (a unit in a shopping centre, say), you co-ordinate with the other responsible persons.	s.8(1) to (4)

Part C: additional duties for enhanced tier premises and qualifying events

	Duty	Notes / owner	Law
☐	Designate a senior individual if the responsible person is an organisation: someone in its management or control. Tasks can be delegated, responsibility cannot.		s.10
☐	Assess and keep under review the public protection measures that are appropriate.		s.6(1)(a)

	Duty	Notes / owner	Law
☐	Measures for monitoring the premises or event and the immediate vicinity.		s.6(3)(a)
☐	Measures for the movement of people into, out of and within the premises or event.		s.6(3)(b)
☐	Measures for physical safety and security.		s.6(3)(c)
☐	Measures for the security of information about the premises or event.		s.6(3)(d)
☐	Compliance document: statement of procedures and an assessment of how they reduce harm.		s.7(1)(a), (b)
☐	Compliance document: statement of measures in place or proposed, and an assessment of how they reduce vulnerability and harm.		s.7(1)(c), (d)
☐	Send the document to the SIA as soon as reasonably practicable; send each revision within 30 days.		s.7(2)
☐	Co-operate: anyone else with control of the premises (a landlord, a landowner) must co-operate with you.		s.8(5), (6)
☐	Notification extras: senior individual's details and confirmation you understand the document duty. Events also: date, time, first admission, description, first publicity date.		SI 2026/793 Sch. Pts 3, 4

The SIA's enhanced tier template (GOV.UK, November 2026) can be used to document compliance. Standard tier premises send no compliance document when the law starts unless the SIA asks; the SIA's standard tier planning tool helps to work through the procedures.

Part D: maximum penalties (reference)

Contravention	Standard tier	Enhanced tier and events
Non-compliance penalty	£10,000	£18 million or 5% of qualifying worldwide revenue, whichever is higher
Daily penalty after a notice is not followed (standard tier: compliance notice; enhanced and events: compliance or restriction notice)	£500 a day	£50,000 a day
Not attending an interview when required	£5,000	£5,000
Restriction notice (use, times, numbers; can stop an event)	not available	up to 6 months, extendable by 3 months at a time

Sources: Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 ss. 2 to 10, 14, 15, 18, 19 and Schedules 1 and 2 (legislation.gov.uk); Notification Requirements Regulations 2026, SI 2026/793; Home Office section 27 statutory guidance (April 2026, correction slip August 2026); SIA, Understanding Martyn's Law and the SIA's role as regulator (July 2026); SIA press release of 9 November 2026.