

Why use an FIS Member on your project



WHO IS FIS?

FIS is a not-for-profit trade body established to support compliance, improve safety and quality, minimise risk, enhance productivity and sustainability and drive innovation within the £10 billion finishes and interiors sector.

Quality is at the heart of all we do. We actively promote good practice in the sector to enable clients to achieve the high quality projects to which they aspire.

Part of our mission is to raise, maintain and ensure continuity of standards and to be a source of quality membership, giving specifiers peace of mind that the FIS member they engage will provide excellent service and results.

OUR MEMBERS

FIS has a membership approaching 600 contractors, manufacturers and distributors specialising in finishing operations including ceilings, SFS, partitions, plastering, drylining, joinery and complete interior fit-out and refurbishment.

Our members help transform structures into homes, schools, hospitals, care-homes, workplaces, hotels, leisure facilities, retail outlets and functional spaces.

Their work delivers critical fire protection, compartmentation, acoustic and thermal comfort as well as the aesthetic finish of the building works.

Their membership gives them access a comprehensive range of support centred on compliance, competence, technical standards and troubleshooting.

Examples of FIS Members work can be found in our [Project Library](#).



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"The team at FIS are fantastic and passionate about driving improvements within the industry.

The closer you work with them the better your business will be."

WHY SPECIFY AN FIS ACCREDITED CONTRACTOR?

Membership is subject to strict vetting procedures built around the FIS [PPP](#) Quality Framework.

PRODUCT
PROCESS
PEOPLE

Membership of FIS is not automatic. Accredited members are vetted on application, and then every three years to ensure that they continue to meet the high standards FIS demands.

Ongoing vetting for contractors includes on-site assessment and as well as a range of financial and legal compliance checks.

The physical vetting process is supported by an Annual Declaration, our Disputes Resolution Process and Code of Conduct with sanctions possible in line with the FIS rules of membership.

Search our [Membership Directory](#) to find a vetted FIS Member.

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SPECIFY WITH CONFIDENCE

FIS provides specifiers with a single source of fit-out and finishes specialists. Our Best Practice Advice and Ongoing Vetting of members means you can specify based on FIS advice and membership with confidence.

REDUCE RISK WITH FIS GUIDANCE

FIS produce a range of best practice information (where appropriate accredited by RIBA) that is cited within leading specification platforms such as NBS. We encourage specifiers to reference this against the specific trade package. Key resources available include:

FIS Site Guides focus on health and safety, storage, handling and sequencing with other trades, as well as fixing.

FIS Best Practice Guides are an essential guide to selection, planning and compliant installation in key specialist areas.

FIS Specifiers Guides have been developed by industry to provide information on performance attributes required against regulation and client requirements to develop a compliant, and complete specification.



FIS Technical Team

If you cannot find the guidance you need within our best practice information, our technical team is on hand to assist. You can email them at info@thefis.org to see what additional support is available.

FIS Acoustic Verification Scheme - It's about Integrity

FIS has teamed up with Cundall Acoustics to develop an acoustic test certificate verification scheme. The scheme takes test data and reports and runs a series of checks to verify information is accurate and genuine.

[Find out more](#)

SUGGESTED EXAMPLE SPECIFICATION CLAUSE

The following clauses are recommended for use in appropriate specifications:

"Specialist Contractors selected should be accredited members of the Finishes and Interiors Sector (FIS) to ensure that they have been vetted against core industry standards and have access to the appropriate compliance and best practice guidance"

"Installation of [partitions, SFS, drylining, operable walls, ceilings] should be managed in line with FIS Best Practice Guidance".



Martin Adie
Head of Quality

"FIS is a powerful force for change, not just for headline technical guidance (which is excellent), but the team are widely acknowledged to be driven, knowledgeable, keen to make a difference and most importantly get stuff done"

Balfour Beatty