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Dave Myers is a Fire Investigator with an MSc in Fire Investigation. He joined Brookes Bell in January 2013 and became an Associate in 2016. He became a Partner in May 2017.

Prior to joining Brookes Bell, Dave served in the Fire Service for 19 years, much of this time in a Fire Investigation capacity, before working as a Consultant Fire Investigator providing Forensic Fire Investigation services for a European and UK-wide customer base.

Dave has carried out many investigations in industrial, commercial, domestic, transport and marine environments, often responsible for co-ordinating a multi-agency response.

Dave spent a period of time managing a joint Fire Service/Police team specialising in the investigation of arson and fatal fires and has experience in giving evidence in Crown Courts, and Coroners' Courts and arbitration.

Dave also has worked with many European Fire Service, Police and Government Departments, advising on, and providing training in Fire Investigation.

Professional Qualifications

MSc. Fire Investigation

Professional Associations

Member of The Institute of Fire Engineers, MIFireE

Member of The Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology, MIMarEST

Fire Investigation and Consultancy Employment

May 2017 – Present	Partner, Lead Fire Investigator, Brookes Bell
May 2016 – May 2017	Associate, Lead Fire Investigator, Brookes Bell
January 2013 – April 2016	Lead Fire Investigator, Brookes Bell
April 2012 - January 2013	Self-Employed Forensic Fire Investigation Consultant
August 1992 - April 2012	Fire Service, operational firefighting, Fire Investigator and Departmental Management

Fire Investigation and Consultancy Experience

Dave has over 20 years experience in advising, co-ordinating and supervising the extinguishing and investigation of various marine and land-based fires.

In addition to considerable experience in land-based fire investigation including:-

- Commercial buildings
- Industrial buildings
- Domestic premises
- Electrical fires
- Vehicle fires
- Arson fires
- Aerospace industry

Dave has undertaken many marine investigations in Europe, Africa, Australia, The Americas, India and the Far East including fires on:-

- Bulk carriers
- Car carriers/Ro-Ro
- Container vessels
- Cruise liners
- General cargo

Product carriers/Chemical tankers
Fishing/factory vessels
Super Yachts

In the marine context, Dave has investigated fires/explosions with respect to:-

Accommodation
Cargo holds and tanks
Containers
Electrical installations
Engine rooms
Vehicle decks

Dave holds a current BOSIET Certificate relevant to the offshore oil and gas industry.

Other relevant projects, and experience:

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) Intervention Sub Group "Working Together: How To Set-Up An Arson Task Force, A Best Practice Guide".

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) Intervention Sub Group "UK Fire Investigation Dog and Handler Teams: Guide to Best Practice".

Project Manager, European Commission DG Environment: "Best Practice in Arson Prevention and Investigation".

Project Supervisor, European Commission DG Environment: "Accidental Natural Social Fire Risk" (ANSFR).

Developing and delivering training programs in Fire Investigation for Poland, Czech Republic and Bulgaria.

Advising Fire Services and Police on Fire Investigation and fire prevention in France, Finland, Denmark, Belgium, Italy, Spain and Sweden.

Presented widely across Europe and Asia at conferences and seminars on the subject of Fire Investigation.

Published Articles and Papers

Badanie Przyczyn Powstawania Pożarów (Poland). 2005. Research into Causes of Fire. Arson Reduction and the partner Approach to Fire Investigation. p135 –161. ISBN 83-919021-4-5

Badanie Przyczyn Powstawania Pożarów (Poland). 2007. Research into Causes of Fire. The Affect of Storage on Microbial Degradation of Fire Debris Samples. p165 – 191. ISBN 978-83-919021-7-2

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DOCHODZENIA POPOZAROWE. (Poland). Issue 4, 2011. The Cost of Arson and How to Reduce It.

SHIPPING & TRANSPORT INTERNATIONAL. Volume 10, number 4. (10(4) S.&T.I (2015)) Coal and the IMSBC Code.

NORTH, SIGNALS NEWSLETTER. ISSUE 98. January 2015. Fixed CO₂ Gas Firefighting Systems – The Human Link.

THE MARITIME EXECUTIVE. 5 November 2016. Reducing the Cost of Fire and Explosions Investigations.

MARINE PROFESSIONAL. 23 January 2017. Ensuring Timely and Cost-effective Fire and Explosion Investigations.