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First Choice



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13 million holidaymakers 90% of UK package holidaymakers

LEGAL PERSPECTIVE

- EU Package Travel Directive
- Corporate Manslaughter/Corporate Killing
- 1986 EU Fire Safety Recommendations
- Non EU Destinations



FTO FATAL ACCIDENT STATISTICS

Currently less than 5 per million .. lower than the UK average

40% - traffic accidents

23% - sea drowning

14% - balcony falls (adults)

8% - pool drowning

7% - risk activities

0 - fire fatalities



CONSUMER PRESSURE Press/TV/Pressure Groups

- Weekend Watchdog, Holidays From Hell
- CSI, Holiday TravelWatch
- Holiday Which?
- Class Actions

Thomson SAFETY FIRST

- Thomson programme since 1995
- Consultant audits
- Good practice guidelines
- Issues raised and resolved
- Achieving change / eliminating or minimising risk



Thomson SAFETY FIRST

- 1995 3000 properties audited 80,000 issues
- 1996/7 55% resolved
- 1998 1,800 properties re-audited 25,000 issues
- 2001 70% resolved
- 2002 FTO audits



FTO STANDARDS

- Working together Industry standards
- Codes of practice Fire
 - Hygiene
 - Pool
 - General Safety
 - Transport & Excursions
- Political lobbying / EU Fire Safety Directive

STUART KIDD REPORT

Conclusions 1986 EU Fire Safety Recommendations

- 1995 Cetan Apave report
- Non compliance
- Existing hotels not covered
- No uniform level
- No penalties

World of TUI



Denmark: No. 3

UK: No. 1

Ireland: No. 1

Netherlands: No. 1

Belgium: No. 2

Portugal: No. 10

Spain: No. 8

Finland: No. 1

Sweden: No. 2

Germany: No. 1

Poland: No. 1

Austria: No. 1

Switzerland: No. 3

France: No. 1 Italy: No. 1





FUTURE

- European tour operators
- EU Fire Safety Directive
- International minimum standards

