

## Ranger Fire and Security further strengthens presence in Ireland with acquisition of Cork-based B-Safe Group

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Ranger Fire and Security has acquired fire safety experts and training providers, Cork-based B-Safe Group.

B-Safe Group is an industry specialist, established in 2019, building on a legacy of fire safety expertise that dates back to 1983, offering its customers fire extinguisher service and supply, as well as a broader range of fire services, including health and safety training and fire consultancy. In particular, the company offers expert insight, serving a range of corporate clients from local businesses to some of the largest pharmaceutical companies across Ireland.

B-Safe Group is well known for its health and safety training courses and fire consultancy. The company offers specialised courses focusing on fire awareness and use of fire extinguishers, fire warden courses, Emergency Response Team training and first aid and manual handling training. The acquisition will enable Ranger to enhance its overall service offering across Ireland.

The company is a further step in Ranger's commitment to become the one stop shop for all fire and security (F&S) service needs across Ireland, as the company looks to expand its reach beyond the UK, with further acquisitions planned for the future.

By joining Ranger, B-Safe Group will have access to the expertise of the other industry-leading companies on the team, opening up the chance to cross-sell to existing and new customers across the Ranger Group and leveraging Ranger's technology platform.



B-Safe Group will continue to be led by its three experienced industry operators, Managing Director Damien Byrne, Director of Portables, Fire Alarm and Emergency Lighting Jason O'Brien and Director of Operations and Suppression Aiden Bolster. All will remain with the business to help drive strategy and growth.

Mark Bridges, CEO of Ranger Fire and Security, said: "B-Safe Group marks another excellent addition to the Ranger team, in particular helping to further strengthen our reach across Ireland. With the company's training programs we are looking forward to expanding our services for customers, while offering even more cross-selling and collaboration opportunities to the businesses within the group.

"The team at B-Safe are well-known to Ranger Ireland and are a well-respected member of the sector. We look forward to working with leadership closely to further Ranger's mission to be the one-stop shop for all fire and security needs in both the UK and Ireland."

Damien Byrne, Managing Director of B-Safe Group, adds: "As a new member of the Ranger team we are excited to work with the stand-out businesses across the team to improve their fire and safety offering across Ireland and the UK while expanding our own services to meet the needs of our loyal customer base.

"As a company we are committed to providing trusted fire safety and training services and we look forward to continuing to meet this goal as a part of the Ranger Group."

B-Safe Group's introduction into the Ranger team marks the eleventh acquisition by the company since its launch in early 2024 and the company's fourth acquisition this year. B-Safe Group will be the third Ireland-based company added to the business alongside <u>Aqua Fire Prevention</u> and <u>KSS Fire Suppression</u>.

These acquisitions enable Ranger to continue expanding its offering in all key areas of F&S services, including fire detection and alarms, extinguisher maintenance and passive fire and security services.

Since launching in Q1 2024, with backing from the private investment firm <u>Hyperion Equity Partners</u>, Ranger has embarked on a mission to establish itself as the leading one-stop solution provider in the fire and security sector, offering a comprehensive range of services through both regional and national operations, and providing a seamless customer experience.