1.0. FIRE EVACUATION MARSHAL (FEM) & SENIOR FIRE EVACUATION MARSHAL (SFEM) EQUIPMENT

1.1. The following equipment is either essential or desirable to assist FEMs in carrying out their role effectively, particularly in larger buildings with a number of exits or close to busy roads:

- **FEM SURCOAT (Essential)**
  FEM jackets are only issued to individuals on completion of the FEM Training Course undertaken through UCL Safety Services.

- **SFEM IDENTIFICATION (Essential for SFEM)**
  The SFEM should identify themselves to the fire brigade and other persons in authority by wearing their Surcoat and a coloured safety helmet (Red) or some other distinguishing marker (to be purchased by the department).

- **WHISTLES (Desirable)**
  Acme Thunder Whistles may also be a useful aid to FEMs to draw attention or to give warning to occupants, during the building’s evacuation (to be purchased by the department).

- **MEGAPHONE (Desirable)**
  Megaphones are an extremely useful tool to give instructions where large crowds are discharging from building, and in the open air. It is recommended that the megaphones with a ‘Siren’ facility be provided as an effective method of moving occupants to the Fire Assembly Point and saving FEM voices (to be purchased by the department).

- **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS (Desirable)**
  Where larger buildings have fire exits or routes some distance away from the main entrance and/or out onto other streets etc., then FEMs would benefit from using small local radios to communicate with the SFEM or other colleagues during a fire evacuation. The SFEM can then be made aware that all occupants are safely accounted for or not / out of the building / problems and on termination of the fire event, when to let persons back into the building (to be purchased by the department).

**SUGGESTED WEB SITES:**

- Megaphones and Hats - via RS Components Catalogue web: rswww.com;
- Suggest excellent Motorola TLKR T80 Extreme two-way radios (from Amazon);
- See [http://www.amazon.co.uk/Motorola-TLKR-Extreme-two-way-radio/dp/B00ANG0M18/ref=pd_sim_rec-ht_1/275-0527204-03075307?ie=UTF8&refRID=1W6A9QGJY5EQQP5254AM](http://www.amazon.co.uk/Motorola-TLKR-Extreme-two-way-radio/dp/B00ANG0M18/ref=pd_sim_rec-ht_1/275-0527204-03075307?ie=UTF8&refRID=1W6A9QGJY5EQQP5254AM)
- Acme Thunder Whistles - from sports shops, general suppliers;