



Film Production Safety & Security Manager

Gareth Thomas



Based In Dubai, Gareth is the lead Film Production Safety and Security Advisor in the region, the owner of Health Safety Emirates FZC and affiliate company Kensington Event & Media Services FZ LLC registered in Abu Dhabi

Gareth's specific areas of experience include Health & Safety, Security (ATL and Production), EMS management and COVID Infection Prevention & Control and general production risk management.

As HOD, Gareth manages department budget, Production compliance and governance regarding local law, production insurance, SAG AFTRA and similar whilst managing production risk daily and ensuring the welfare of cast and crew.

Gareth has a proficient understanding of all departments risks and key deliverables and is thus able to positively liaise with Producers and all key stakeholders to ensure the production schedule is maintained without compromising the welfare of the cast and crew or the reputation of the studio.

His experience enables him to support all departments within production in particular, stunts, armorers, picture vehicles and SFX.

In addition, Gareth has written operational delivery procedures and protocols for Film Commissions in the Middle East that are compliant with local mandatory regulations and laws whilst meet International Studio benchmark standards and deliverables.

A OSHAD qualified practitioner (Abu Dhabi), graduate member of the Institution of Fire Engineers, Technical member of IOSH, a registered member of SIRA for Security, a registered Close Protection officer SIA UK, Range Safety Officer, a registered trainer for Highfield International. (Security Close Protection / Health Safety / First Aid) and a corporate member of the British Bodyguarding Association.

Gareth has studied Arabic and currently is qualified at an Intermediate Level in both spoken and written Arabic.

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Sl.No.	Qualifications / Courses	Discipline	Year
1.	MSc in Risk, Crisis, and Resilience Management Portsmouth University *	Risk Management	Ongoing
2.	NEBOSH International Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety *	Health & Safety	Ongoing
3.	Level 3 Certificate for Close Protection Operatives in the Private Security Industry (SIA UK)	Security	2022
4	OSHAD SF Practitioners Course ADVETI Abu Dhabi	Health & Safety	2022
5.	Range Safety Officer (Firearms)	Security	2022
6.	NEBOSH International General Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety	Health & Safety	2021
7	Highfield Level 2 International Award in Infection Prevention and Control In the Workplace with Distinction	COVID	2020
8.	Highfield Level 3 Award in Food Safety for Catering (RQF) with Distinction	Food Safety	2020
9.	Highfield Level 3 International Award in First Aid at Work and the Safe Use of an Automated External Defibrillator (Hands-Only CPR)	First Aid	2020
10.	HABC Level 3 Award in Health and Safety in the Workplace (QCF)	Health & Safety	2014
11.	HABC Level 3 International Award In Delivering Training	Training	2014
12.	HABC Level-2 Award in Fire Safety (QCF)	Fire Safety	2014
13.	Security Manager -Security Professionals Training Certificate from Dubai Police Academy	Security	2014
14.	Event Security from Dubai Police Academy (SIRA)	Security	2019
15.	BIIAB Level- 2 National Certificate for Door Supervisors	Security	2004
16.	Edexcel Certificate of Unit Achievement in Communications and Conflict Management	Security	2005
17.	Hostile Intent Detection & Evaluation (Counter Terrorism Course) Boston University	Security	2013
18.	HND in Hotel Catering and Institutional Management	Management	1994
19.	Intermediate Food Hygiene Certificate with Distinction	Food Safety	1993
20.	Intermediate Arabic Level 2 Written, Conversational, Reading	Arabic	2016

Sl.No.	Institutions & Centres
1.	Graduate member of The Institution of Fire Engineers (GIFireE)
2.	Technical Member of Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (TechIOSH)
3.	HABC Approved Centre Certificate of Registration to Provide Training & Examinations in Close Protection / First Aid / Health & Safety
4.	British Bodyguarding Association (Corporate Member)

***Denotes Continued Professional Development**

Film Credits

- Gran Turismo | Health Safety & Security Advisor UAE
- Dune Part 2 | Health Safety & Security Advisor UAE
- Lead Health Safety and COVID Manager AIUla Film Commission – Film AIUla
- Kandahar | Production Safety & Security Manager
- Mission Impossible 7 | Local Health & Safety Advisor | COVID SME
- 6 Underground | Location Protection
- Mission Impossible 6 | Locations Security Advisor
- Star Trek Beyond | Key Assistant Locations Manager & Security Manager
- Star Wars 7 | Security & Safety Advisor
- Furious 7 | Locations Assistant & Security Manager
- Furious 7 (VFX) | Locations Assistant
- Bourne Legacy | Security
- Switch | Security Manager
- Mission Impossible IV | Security Manager

Numerous TV Commercials, including Nike Victory Swim – Health & Safety Manager / Locations / Security.