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What is a Fire Door Inspection?

A picture story

Fire doors help stop fire and smoke from spreading. Regular inspections help keep everyone safe.



1 Fire doors save lives.

Fire doors are specially designed to help protect you, your family and your neighbours.

They give you more time to get out and help keep everyone safe in the event of a fire.



We inspect two types of fire doors:



Flat entrance doors
(leading into your home)
These doors help protect your home from fire and smoke.



Communal doors
(in hallways and shared areas)
These doors protect everyone in the building.

2 A trained inspector will visit.

They are trained to check both flat entrance doors and communal doors. They will show you their identification and explain what they are going to do.

I'm here to do fire door inspection.



Our inspectors will always:



Be polite and respectful



Explain what they are doing



Keep your home secure

3 They will check each fire door.

They will check lots of things on both flat entrance doors and communal doors, including:

- ✓ The door and frame
- ✓ Hinges and door closer
- ✓ Gaps around the door
- ✓ Intumescent strips and smoke seals
- ✓ The door handle and lock
- ✓ Safety signs (where needed)
- ✓ That the door is not damaged and closes properly



Flat entrance door

Communal door

4 They will make sure it works properly.

They will open and close the door to make sure it closes fully and latches. Fire doors must not be wedged open or blocked by anything.



Please do not:



Wedge doors open



Block doors or put things in front of them

Why is this important?

If a fire starts, fire doors that close properly help stop fire and smoke from spreading and give everyone more time to get out safely.

5 It usually doesn't take long.

A fire door inspection usually takes about 15-30 minutes per door.

You don't need to do anything. You can carry on with your day while we do the inspection.

You may hear the door closing a few times.



15-30 minutes



6 If we find a problem...

If a fire door is damaged or not working properly, we will let you know.

We may fix it there and then, or we may need to come back to do the repair (if we need to order parts).

We will always do our best to keep you safe.



7 You will get a report.

After the inspection, we will write a report. It will say if everything is safe or if any actions are needed.

If any work is needed, we will arrange this as soon as possible.



8 Fire door inspections happen regularly.

By law, fire doors in your home must be inspected regularly to make sure they continue to work and keep you safe.

Keeping on top of fire safety helps everyone feel safe and secure.



If you have any questions or are worried about anything, please contact us. It's ok to ask for things to be explained in a different way.

We're here to help
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