



FIRE DOOR MAINTENANCE

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Designed to help you maintain your fire doors in compliance with the UK Building Regulations, our guide will provide you essential information and a checklist for routine maintenance to ensure the ongoing effectiveness of your fire doors. It's important to note that a trained professional is always the preferred option for these works.

Understanding Your Fire Doors

Fire doors are specially designed to limit the spread of fire and smoke. They have unique components such as intumescent strips, smoke seals, and fire rated glazing. Proper maintenance is crucial to preserving their integrity and maintaining their compliance with Building Regulations. Smoke seals are not always present on fire doors, it depends on the buildings Fire Risk Assessment and therefore, it may be worth finding this information out.

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Regular maintenance ensures the continued ability of fire doors to resist fire and protect occupants. Neglecting maintenance can compromise safety and lead to legal and insurance issues. It's important to put forward that first and foremost, fire doors are a life saving device and that when required, they are 100% effective and working.

Regulatory Requirements

UK Building Regulations, particularly Part B (Fire Safety), outline maintenance responsibilities for building owners and managers. Compliance bodies like the Building Research Establishment provide additional guidance and certification schemes.

Maintenance Schedule And Records

As with majority of things, it's important and crucial to keep a record of historic notes, with fire doors, this is a legal requirement. Any maintenance activities and repairs performed on the door are to be noted and kept a record of.

Engaging Professional Inspectors

When engaging professionals or contractors to conduct thorough fire door inspections and repairs, we would strongly advise that you consider hiring fully certified companies that are registered under the Government and MOD standard such as BM Trada.

Fire Door Maintenance Checklist

- Conduct regular visual inspections to identify damage or non-compliance
- Check the door leaf and frame for stability and proper sealing
- Inspect hardware components and seals for functionality
- Examine fire-rated glazing or vision panels for damage or compromise
- Ensure closing mechanisms and automatic door closers are functioning correctly

Next Doors Ltd are BM Trada certified and we have undergone all training provided to obtain being a BM Trada certified company to ensure our compliance with installations, repairs, and maintenance. We provide our services Nationwide across the United Kingdom so get in touch using the contact details below and receive your free quote today!