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## **School Fire Regulations**

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**Title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the School Fire Regulations.

**Interpretation**

- 2.(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“fire officer” means and includes the Chief Fire Officer and any member of the City Fire Brigade authorized by the Chief Fire Officer to be a fire officer for the purpose of these Regulations.

- (2) In these Regulations—

“school” does not include, in the case where instruction is given by means of correspondence delivered by hand or through the postal services, any institution or place where the work of pupils is received, despatched or examined.

**Inspection of premises.**

- 3.(1) Any fire officer may at all reasonable times enter and inspect any school premises.

- (2) Any fire officer may at all reasonable times enter and inspect—

- (a) any premises in or in part of which a school is carried on;

- (b) any premises in the neighbourhood of any school premises, if it appears to such fire officer that a risk of fire to the school premises may arise in such other premises.

- (3) Any person who obstructs a fire officer in the exercise of his powers under subregulation (1) or (2) is guilty of an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of £50 and to imprisonment for one month.

**Reports of Chief Fire Officer.**

4. The Chief Fire Officer shall report to the Director on the fire precautions existing in every school and may make recommendations as to any further precautions necessary to minimize danger from fire.

**Provision of safety equipment.**

5.(1) The Director shall take all measures necessary to install in Government schools any apparatus or equipment required as a safeguard against fire and to implement any other reasonable steps recommended by the Chief Fire Officer.

(2) The proprietor of every independent school shall take all measures necessary to install in his school any apparatus or equipment required as a safeguard against fire and to implement any other reasonable steps recommended by the Chief Fire Officer.

**Fire drills exits.**

6.(1) The headteacher of every school shall—

- (a) in the case of a school becoming established after the coming into force of these Regulations, within one month of his school becoming established, draw up in writing a scheme to the satisfaction of the Chief Fire Officer for the evacuation of the school premises in case of fire;
- (b) ensure that fire drill, including the use of all exits from the school premises, is carried out by the teachers and pupils at least once in every month; and
- (c) keep a written record of all fire drills in a school log book which shall record the time taken to evacuate the school premises during the fire drill.

(2) The headteacher of every school shall ensure that exits from all classrooms and the school premises are free from obstruction at all times.

(3) Any fire officer may during an inspection of school premises hold a fire drill to include full evacuation of the premises.

**Extinguishers.**

7. The headteacher of every school shall ensure that all fire extinguishers in the school premises are kept in good condition.