



Fire Door Information for Residents

Attention Residents:

Fire doors play a crucial role in maintaining the safety of our building and its occupants during a fire. Please take a moment to review the following important information about fire doors.

What Are Fire Doors?

Fire doors are specially constructed doors designed to:

- **Resist the spread of fire and smoke:** They provide a barrier to prevent fire and smoke from spreading through the building.
- **Provide safe exit routes:** They ensure that escape routes remain accessible and safe during a fire.

Key Features of Fire Doors:

1. Fire-Resistant Materials:

- Fire doors are made from fire-resistant materials that can withstand high temperatures for a specified period, usually 30 to 60 minutes.

2. Seals and Gaskets:

- Fire doors are equipped with intumescent seals around the edges that expand when exposed to heat, sealing gaps to prevent smoke and fire from passing through.

3. Self-Closing Mechanisms:

- Fire doors are fitted with self-closing devices to ensure they close automatically after being opened, maintaining the integrity of the fire barrier.

Fire Door Usage Guidelines:

1. Keep Fire Doors Closed:

- Fire doors must remain closed at all times. Do not prop them open or disable the self-closing mechanism.

2. Do Not Block Fire Doors:

- Keep escape routes and fire doors clear of obstructions. Do not place items like furniture, bicycles, or trash bins in front of fire doors.

3. Report Damages:

- Immediately report any damage or malfunctioning of fire doors to building management. This includes issues like broken seals, faulty self-closing



1. Do Not Modify Fire Doors:

- Do not make any alterations to fire doors, including adding hooks, painting over seals, or installing additional locks.

Maintenance and Inspections:

- **Regular Inspections:**
 - Fire doors are inspected regularly to ensure they are in proper working order. This includes checking seals, hinges, and self-closing devices.
- **Resident Cooperation:**
 - Allow access to your unit for scheduled fire door inspections. Your cooperation is essential for maintaining fire safety.

Fire Safety Tips:

- **Know Your Exits:**
 - Familiarize yourself with the location of fire doors and escape routes in the building.
- **Participate in Fire Drills:**
 - Participate in scheduled fire drills to practice safe evacuation procedures.
- **Stay Informed:**
 - Keep up to date with fire safety notices and information provided by building management.

Important Contacts:

- **Building Management:** YMCA Worcestershire
- **Fire Department:** 999
- **Local Police:** 999

Additional Information: For more details on fire safety and fire doors, please refer to the fire safety notices posted in common areas or visit our website at <https://ymcaworcestershire.org.uk/>

Your awareness and adherence to these guidelines are crucial for maintaining a safe living environment. Thank you for your cooperation.