

NFDI FACT SHEET 1

Fire Door Inspections

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Why Fire Door Inspections Matter

Fire doors are a critical line of defence against the spread of fire and smoke. Regular inspections confirm that every door within your building will perform as intended — protecting lives, property, and escape routes in an emergency. Routine fire door inspections also ensure compliance with UK fire safety legislation, including the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, Fire Safety (England) Regulations 2022, and the Building Safety Act 2022.

What's Included in an NFDI Inspection

Each certified inspection is carried out by a qualified NFDI fire door inspector, following national standards such as BS 8214:2016 and BS 9999:2017.

- Door leaf and frame condition — checking for damage, warping, or incorrect fit.
- Intumescent and smoke seals — correct type, position, and continuity.
- Hinges and ironmongery — CE/UKCA marked, correctly fitted, and maintained.
- Door closers — effective operation and self-closing action.
- Signage and identification — compliant 'Fire Door Keep Shut' markings.
- Gaps and clearances — measured to BS 8214 tolerances.
- Glazing and vision panels — suitable glass and installation.
- Thresholds and floor finishes — ensuring unobstructed closing.

Inspection Frequency Recommendations

Building Type	Suggested Frequency
Multi-occupied residential (11m+)	Communal doors every 3 months; flat entrance doors annually.
Hospitals / Care Homes / High-risk	Every 6 months.
Schools / Offices / Commercial	Annually.

Benefits of Regular Fire Door Inspections

- Compliance Confidence — Demonstrates legal compliance under UK fire safety law.
- Early Problem Detection — Identify wear, damage, or missing components before failure.
- Reduced Costs — Prevent expensive replacements through timely repairs.
- Life Safety Protection — Ensures escape routes remain safe and smoke-tight in an emergency.

Relevant Legislation and Standards

- Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.
- Fire Safety (England) Regulations 2022.
- Building Safety Act 2022.
- BS 8214:2016 — Timber-based fire door assemblies.
- BS 9999:2017 — Fire safety in design, management, and use of buildings.
- BS EN 1634-1 — Fire resistance testing.

Stay Compliant with NFDI

NFDI's certified inspectors operate nationwide, delivering accurate, detailed, and legally recognised fire door inspection services. Book a certified inspection today to ensure your building remains compliant, safe, and audit-ready.

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