



Freedom of Information Request FOI 21 80

Fires in construction 2020-2021

Query & Response:

I would be most grateful if you could provide the following information:

- How many fires have you attended in the past year within buildings that have been under construction / within the construction industry?

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service has used the date range of 01/10/2020 – 30/09/2021 within our search for information to this request. There were a total of six incidents that match our search criteria.

Property	Cause	Casualties
Building/Non Residential/Other private non-residential building	Overheating, unknown cause	No
Building/Dwelling/Converted Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy/3 or more storeys	Heat source and combustibles brought together deliberately	No
Building/Dwelling/Converted Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy/3 or more storeys	Faulty fuel supply - electricity	No
Building/Non Residential/Private garage	Other intentional burning, going out of control	No
Building/Non Residential/Other private non-residential building	Overheating, unknown cause	No
Building/Dwelling/Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy/Up to 3 storeys	Faulty fuel supply - electricity	No

- How many of these fires were caused by 'hot work'? (welding, cutting, soldering and any work that involves an open flame).
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- What kind of hot work was involved?
Information not held.
- Were there any injuries, casualties or fatalities involved?
See above table for detail held.
- What kinds of buildings were involved?
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Information/Detail accurate on the date provided: 15, November 2021