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Request:

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Response:

Please see my response to each of your queries in turn below:

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The LFB publish this information online via the <u>London Datastore</u>. You can access this information by using the following link:

https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/regulatory-fire-safety-inspections

If you download the 'Fire Safety Audits and Inspections' excel spreadsheet you can filter by Borough using column B and by date using column G.

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This information is also published online. The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, Part 2, Article 14 — Emergency routes and exits states that, "where necessary in order to safeguard the safety of relevant persons, the responsible person must ensure that routes to emergency exits from premises and the exits themselves are kept clear at all times".

The Home Office also publish a guide to making your small block of flats safe from fire which recommends that the Responsible Person for the building should engage with residents to provide information on how to keep common areas clear of obstructions, combustible materials or storage. This guide is available using the following link:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/114763_1/A_guide_to_making_your_small_block_of_flats_safe_from_fire.pdf

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