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Request:

1. The number of high or medium rise residential buildings the LFB is aware of with a 'simultaneous evacuation' policy in place
2. A breakdown of these by London borough
3. The number of these owned by a) housing associations b) local authorities c) private sector landlords
4. If available, the number of these buildings where the evacuation policy uses a waking watch, and the number which use an AFD system
5. The number of disabled residents of these buildings, and the number of 'personal emergency evacuation plans' prepared

Response:

Our Fire Safety Regulatory data team have provided the following response:

1. The number of high or medium rise residential buildings the LFB is aware of with a 'simultaneous evacuation' policy in place
2. A breakdown of these by London borough

Borough	Sim Evac Over 18m	Sim Evac Under 18m	Grand Total
Barking & Dagenham	15	8	23
Barnet	16	7	23
Bexley	3	0	3
Brent	31	18	49
Bromley	2	2	4
Camden	30	5	35
City of London	2	1	3
Croydon	21	15	36
Ealing	12	8	20
Enfield	2	1	3
Greenwich	63	10	73
Hackney	69	18	87
Hammersmith & Fulham	9	2	11
Haringey	12	6	18
Harrow	3	1	4
Havering	8	6	14
Hillingdon	10	6	16
Hounslow	15	6	21
Islington	33	30	63
Kensington & Chelsea	11	9	20

Kingston Upon Thames	4		4
Lambeth	36	15	51
Lewisham	30	17	47
Merton	3	1	4
Newham	70	5	75
Redbridge	10	2	12
Richmond Upon Thames	1	0	1
Southwark	72	22	94
Sutton	7	17	24
Tower Hamlets	153	12	165
Waltham Forest	24	0	24
Wandsworth	25	4	29
Westminster	40	3	43
Grand Total	842	257	1,099

3. The number of these [medium rise residential buildings the LFB is aware of with a 'simultaneous evacuation' policy in place] owned by a) housing associations b) local authorities c) private sector landlords

Building ownership	Sim Evac Over 18m	Sim Evac Under 18m	Grand Total
Housing Association	389	146	535
Local Authority	62	20	82
Private	391	91	482
Grand Total	842	257	1,099

4. If available, the number of these buildings where the evacuation policy uses a waking watch, and the number which use an AFD system

Interim measures Data	Sim Evac Over 18m	Sim Evac Under 18m	Grand Total
AFD (FAS or FAS & MGT)	760	233	993
Unknown	1	3	4
Waking Watch	81	13	94
Evac MGT	0	8	8
Grand Total	842	257	1,099

5. The number of disabled residents of these buildings [medium rise residential buildings the LFB is aware of with a 'simultaneous evacuation' policy in place], and the number of 'personal emergency evacuation plans' prepared

The LFB do not record this information. 'Personal emergency evacuation plans' (PEEPS) are still in government consultation phase. The LFB recently issued a news article in relation to PEEPS below which you may find useful:

[London Fire Brigade responds to government fire reform announcements | London Fire Brigade \(london-fire.gov.uk\)](https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/)

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website:

<https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>