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Request:

Marks & Spencer, Marble Arch store, 458 Oxford Street, London, W1C 1AP

We understand that you may have conducted a fire inspection in the 1970's/80's in relation to the Marks & Spencer, Marble Arch store and so we would be most grateful if you could please provide us with any records of fire safety inspections you hold for that period.

We understand that under the Act, we do not have to specify particular files or documents and that it is your responsibility to provide the information required. If you need further clarification, then please contact us.

If our request is denied in whole or part, we ask that you specify the relevant Freedom of Information Act exemption for each piece of information that you refuse to release. We also expect that you release all non-exempt material. We reserve the right to appeal any decision to withhold information.

Response:

These records were destroyed some time ago, they were signed off for disposal by the Assistant Commissioner of Fire Safety, in line with the retention policy in place at the time which was file closure + 10 years.

For information, following recommendations made in the Grenfell Tower Inquiry these records are now held permanently.

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](#)