

Freedom of Information request reference number: 8344.1

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Request:

Social media account:

The London Fire Brigade had made 10 rescues from fire overnight – the period of 20:00 on 22nd January 2024 until 09:30 23rd January 2024.

Can you please provide the following to substantiate this claim. Of those 10 people claimed to have been rescued:

- What number were assisted from the risk area by the Brigade
- What number left the risk area without assistance (self rescued)
- What number were carried out of the property by Brigade personnel
- What number were assisted to the ground by Brigade Personnel using Brigade Ladders or aerial appliances.
- Whether all incidents were classed as primary fires
- Where the persons were 'rescued' from e.g. room of origin, floor of origin, same building different floor.

For clarification of the above, I refer to the Home Office Incident Recording System (IRS) Guidance criteria for each means of 'rescue' specifically questions in the IRS – 3.5 3.6

Please provide the relevant supporting statistical information from the following sources for each category

- Completed IRS forms where 'rescues' took place
- Informative or stop messages sent from incidents where the 'rescues' took place
- Any relevant coded message sent by MDT from incidents where the 'rescues' took place

Response:

The information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under the FOI act as it is contained in the incident/mobilisation report (both types of fire reports) for the specific incident.

Fire reports are not available under the freedom of information act (FOIA) as they are considered a chargeable service and, as such, will incur a fee. As a result they are exempt via <u>Section 21 of the FOIA - Information</u> <u>accessible to applicant by other means</u>

Individuals and organisations affected by an incident that was attended by London Fire Brigade since 2007 can request a 'fire report' which provides more details about the incident and the cause of the fire where known.

If you do want to go ahead and request a copy of a fire report, I must also advise that you may not be eligible to receive a copy. However, if any eligible party (such as the owner/a tenant/local borough council/insurance firm or loss adjustor) requests the fire report document, and is willing to share it with you, then we would be able to provide consent for them to do this.

Further information about how to obtain a LFB incident report is published on our website and can be accessed

through the following link: <u>https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/services-and-facilities/services-we-offer/incident-reports/</u>

You may also be interested to know that a full list of incidents attended by the LFB is published via the London DataStore and can be accessed via this link: <u>https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-incident-records</u>.

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 <u>on our website</u>.