

Fire Safety Policy

Purpose

This Fire Safety Policy details the employer's general statement of intent to safeguard the protection of life and property from fire and related risks to the employees of Downs Way School, its pupils, staff, visitors and contractors and suppliers who work on the premises. The Statement also details Downs Way's obligations as the responsible person and as controllers of the premises.

General Statement

Fire Safety issues, covering life safety and property protection are considered as one of the technical disciplines within the general occupational and workplace safety field. Downs Way School works to ensure its legal and contractual obligations are met.

Downs Way School will ensure that fire safety risk assessments and the fire emergency plans of the workplace premises are produced to comply with current fire safety legislation.

Fire drills and evacuations are to be held each term and timings and any problems reported to the Governing Body.

Objective

Our objective is to minimise the risks of fire in Downs Way School, to protect life and property and to ensure continuity of service with minimum disruption.

We will ensure this is achieved by the establishment of sound fire precautions and effective fire protection measures. Where measures to improve fire safety are identified, we will take the necessary steps to implement these measures.

We will provide information, advice and supervision on fire safety and training safety issues to ensure that staff are aware of their fire safety responsibilities and are competent to undertake their duties in a safe and effective manner.

Regular testing of the fire precaution systems will be carried out as identified in the fire risk assessment and supporting documentation.

Fire safety arrangements will be reviewed annually by the governors Health and Safety Working Party and the Senior Management Team.

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