



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader
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 Our Ref:
 Your Ref: N/A
 Date: 10 August 2020

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Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2020-199-227)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 13 July 2020. Our response is provided below:

Q1 How many fires at schools have you attended in the last five full years (2014-2019 or nearest period, if not available)? Please provide a breakdown per year.

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) attended 34 fires during the period requested, this is broken down by year as follows:

- 01/04/2014 - 31/03/2015: 8
- 01/04/2015 - 31/03/2016: 9
- 01/04/2016 - 31/03/2017: 7
- 01/04/2017 - 31/03/2018: 5
- 01/04/2018 - 31/03/2019: 5

Q2 Of the school fires you attended in this period, how many had sprinklers fitted?

We do not record this information.

Q3 Please provide a breakdown of the causes of fire by year.

Please refer to the table below:

Year	Cause	Number
2014/15	Bin/waste fire	3
	Electrical fault	2
	External store cupboard fire	1
	Fuel leak (car)	1
	Tree fire	1
2015/16	Motorcycle/car fire	3
	Kitchen fire	2
	Bin/waste fire	1
	Planting materials	1
	Electrical fault	1
	Patio heater	1

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Year	Cause	Number
2016/17	Electrical fault	3
	Bin/waste fire	1
	Kitchen fire	1
	Car fire	1
	Plant fire	1
2017/18	Bin/waste fire	2
	Kitchen fire	2
	Electrical fault	1
2018/19	Kitchen fire	2
	Electrical fault	1
	Outdoor – camp fire	1
	Outdoor – fencing	1

Q4 For each year, please also provide a breakdown of
a) type of school e.g. primary, secondary

Year	Type of school	Number
2014/15	Infant	3
	Primary	2
	Secondary	0
	Primary and Secondary	3
2015/16	Infant	1
	Primary	2
	Secondary	2
	Primary and Secondary	4
2016/17	Infant	2
	Primary	3
	Secondary	1
	Primary and Secondary	1
2017/18	Infant	0
	Primary	3
	Secondary	2
	Primary and Secondary	0
2018/19	Infant	1
	Primary	2
	Secondary	2
	Primary and Secondary	0

b) Any injuries or deaths

There were no injuries or deaths recorded.

c) Extent of damage to school

We do not record this information.

d) Age of school

We do not record this information.

e) *Whether cladding was present*

We do not record this information.

f) *How many of the schools at the time the fire broke out had received a low, medium or high fire risk assessment (or alternative classification if used)?*

We do not record this information.

Q5 *How many school fire risk assessments have you carried out in the last five full years (2014-2019 or alternative period if not available)?*

NFRS do not carry out fire risk assessments at school premises; these are completed by the responsible person for the school site. NFRS' responsibility is to undertake audits and assess compliance.

Q6 *Please provide a breakdown of the outcomes e.g. low, medium, high risk?*

N/A, please refer to the answers provided for Q4 f) and Q5.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2020-199-227.

Yours sincerely

Service Information Team Leader

If you are unhappy with the response, you can ask the Service to review it. To do this, please email enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk or alternatively write to the address below:

Service Information Manager
Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service
Moulton Logistics Centre
Moulton Way
Northampton
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If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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