

The Fire Detection System at The Student Hideout

The Student Hideout has an interlinked fire system which means that if one detector in a flat is activated, it activates all the detectors within the flat. There are smoke detectors in corridor areas and bedrooms. The kitchens have heat detectors which will only detect a fire, not smoke produced by cooking or smoking. Each flat has fire alarm control switch in the kitchen/lounge.

All doors marked 'Fire Door' should be kept shut at all times as they form an important part of the system. Propping these doors open may endanger yourself and other tenants. You, or your guests, should never tamper with the detectors (cover them, remove them etc) or the self-closing devices on fire doors (detach them, hang anything from them etc).

If you suspect a fault or are unsure about any aspect of these instructions, then contact your Housing Management Officer at Unipol for assistance.

The evacuation strategy is Stay and Defend, below are specific instructions depending on the situation you are in.

There are three alarm scenarios:



Checking Where the System Was Activated:

- If the fire alarm activates in your flat use the 'Hush' button on the fire alarm control switch, in the kitchen/lounge, to silence all alarms apart from the device activated.
- This will indicate the location of the fire or false activation within the flat.



Checking for a false alarm:

- If you are sure the activation is a false alarm (burning food etc.), press 'Silence' on the fire alarm control switch in the kitchen/lounge to reset all alarms.
- If the alarms sound again it is likely that the smoke has not cleared from the area which caused the activation. Clear the smoke by opening windows and using any extractor fans, then repeat the step above to silence the alarms.
- If the alarm will not silence, and you are certain there is not a fire, contact Unipol on 0115 934 5020 for assistance or if outside of office hours call 0113 244 3799.
- Please note Unipol tests the fire alarms every Wednesday, so you will hear the alarms sound briefly each Wednesday during testing.



In the event of a Fire:

- If there is a fire or the room where the alarm is sounding is locked, vacate the building immediately and call the fire service on 999. The address is 11 South Parade Nottingham NG12LH.
- Leave the flat using the nearest escape route - either take the main staircase, and exit via the front door onto the Market Square, or use the fire escape route from the kitchen/lounge and through the basement to the back doors on Wheeler Gate.



Fire Assembly Point:

Make your way to and assemble on the Market Square. Evacuations notices display a map on final exit. Do not re-enter the building until you are advised that it is safe to do so.

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Fire Assembly Point:

Exit the development, cross the tram lines with care and assemble on the Market Square. Evacuations notices display a map on final exit. Do not re-enter the building until you are advised that it is safe to do so.

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