

Fire Procedure. Beetham Tower. Manchester.

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Fire - Evacuation Of Your Apartment

If the fire cannot be controlled in your apartment you should ring the fire brigade if safe to do so.

The concierge will receive an alert on the fire panel on the ground floor and will contact the fire brigade.

Exit the building using the emergency staircase. Do not use the lifts.

Make your way to the assembly point which is at the residents entrance. Other residents are NOT required to evacuate the building at this stage. (each apartment has sufficient 2 hour fire protection)

The fire brigade has the ability to evacuate a single floor or several floors should they deem it necessary. (only the fire brigade can make this decision). The fire evacuation procedure for the building was designed in consultation with Manchester Fire Services and provides a three-stage plan for evacuation:



Stairwells & Common Areas

To ensure there are clear escape routes for use in an emergency, no items of any description must be left in the apartment doorways, corridors, staircases or car park walkways. If you notice any obstructions please inform Concierge. These areas are all regularly patrolled and any offending items will be removed for disposal.

Evacuation Of The Hotel

Upon the fire alarm going into full evacuation within the hotel, all hotel guests will evacuate. Residents of Beetham Tower are NOT required to evacuate their apartment upon the hotel alarm sounding (you will not hear an alarm in your apartment) The fire fighting lift (serving the whole building) and passenger lift in the residential area will ground ready to assist the fire brigade Hotel guests will descend down the 2 emergency staircases (during an emergency situation no one is allowed to enter the stairwell to go up the stairs) Guests should not re-enter the building until instructed to do so by the fire brigade

Stage 1:

Scenario - A single apartment experiences a fire – the alarm is activated and fire brigade are called – the occupant of that apartment should make their way down the fire exit to exit the building.

The fire services will arrive within minutes – take control of the lifts and check the state of the fire – they may then put the other apartments on the same floor (and perhaps the floor above and floor below) on 'Stand-By' for evacuation. The fire alarm within these apartments will 'Pulse' whilst they are on standby – this will warn occupiers that a fire is being tackled nearby.

Stage 2:

Scenario – The fire services may consider that the fire is spreading - The fire services will then decide that nearby occupants also need to evacuate.

The „Pulse“ sound in nearby apartments will change to alarm bell and occupants of those apartments affected need to make their way down the fire staircase and assemble outside the building in front of the Hilton Hotel.

Stage 3:

Scenario – If the fire is proving difficult to control then the fire services will then decide that all floors need to evacuate and will activate the alarm for all apartments. All occupants should then make their way down the fire staircase to exit and assemble in front of the Hilton Hotel.

Occupant should use the fire staircase to evacuate -

Do not attempt to use the lifts.

Make your way to the assembly point.

Make yourself known to the Concierge.

Do not re-enter the building until instructed to do so.

Note: The main fire staircase travels directly down the building to ground floor. A cross-over corridor can provide access to the Hilton Hotel fire exit staircase at Level 24 in the unlikely event of a blockage below level 24 in the main staircase.

Fire Escape

If you enter the fire escape stairwell you will "NOT" be able to re-enter any floor. You will have to walk to the bottom of the stairwell. The doors lock automatically.