



Freedom of Information Request FOI 26 129

House Fires Due to Electrical Faults

Query:

I would like to submit a freedom of information request based on the number of house fires in the area due to electrical faults.

I would like to request the number of house fires over the last five years that were due to an electrical fault. If it is possible I would also like this broken up by town in your authority.

Response:

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service (DWFRS) has used our Incident Recording System (IRS) to obtain the information within the attached spreadsheet (FOI 26 129 - House Fires Due to Electrical Faults) in response to your request. We have looked for any dwelling fires where the cause is one of the following and the ignition source power is electric:

- Fault in equipment or appliance
- Faulty fuel supply – electricity
- Faulty leads to equipment or appliance
- Overheating, unknown cause.

Information/Detail accurate on the date provided: 10, July 2026