Safety Note 20
Guidance on Disabled Evacuation Procedures, Fire Refuge Areas and Evacuation methods

1. Introduction

The responsibility for the evacuation of people from a building rests with the University. This Safety Note explains the general principles that underpin the procedures for the evacuation of disabled people from University buildings.

2. Evacuation Arrangements

If a person is unable to evacuate out of a building, or they may be slow to do so, due to a physical or mental disability, there are a number of systems available in most university buildings to assist with evacuation. These include:

- Fire refuge areas
- Evacuation lifts
- Evacuation chairs
- Evacuation Mattress

The refuge areas should be in a 30 minute fire protected area, .6 (o.11 T)10.6C2 be io.BDC 0.n.2070 Td[(c)20 T

The following can also be consulted:

- CoP 56 Personal Emergency Evacuation Plans.
- General Emergency Evacuation Plans.