



Case Study: Leisure



Client: Everyman Cinema

Location: Nationwide

Summary:

Stroma Building Control (formerly Approved Design) has worked with many leading cinema operators to utilise the new Fire Safety Design Code BS 9999 on new projects, which has resulted in safer buildings and capital cost savings.

Benefits the code brings to schemes include increased travel distances and reduced width of escape doors, corridors and staircases. These have been achieved by taking into account features of the scheme which already existed:

- Auditoriums being fire compartments (generally simple to achieve due to acoustic performance)
- Enhanced fire detection
- Strong management regime and staff training
- High ceiling heights

Where cinema complexes have been contained within shopping malls, the early appointment of Stroma Building Control has led to the removal of sprinkler protection associated with this type of premises and cost savings passed onto the client.

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