# TEST REPORT NUMBER CFR1812141

# FIRE RESISTANCE TEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH BS 476: PART 22: 1987

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**Date of test:** 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**Results:** 

Test duration: 36 minutes (discontinued at the request of the sponsor)

Integrity: 35 minutes Insulation 34 minutes



#### **Summary of test specimen:**

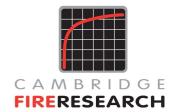
A single leaf timber doorset, tested opening into the furnace as a latched, insulated, doorset.

Leaf size: 1966 x 746 x 44









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#### 1 PREPARATION FOR TESTING

#### 1.1 Specimen conditioning

The specimen was received by Cambridge Fire Research on 12/12/2018. During the 2 days that the specimen was on site, the temperature and relative humidity were recorded to be within the range of 9 to 17°C and 41 to 58% respectively.

#### 1.2 Associated construction

Cambridge Fire Research constructed a softwood timber-stud partition, which was clad with 1No.British Gypsum FireLine board of 15mm thickness on the exposed side and 1No. British Gypsum FireLine board of 12.5mm thickness on the unexposed side to provide an aperture for the specimen of 2015 mm high x 835 mm wide.

In accordance with Fire Test Study Group Resolution No. 51 continuity of the threshold was simulated by the installation of a solid non-combustible threshold extension by Cambridge Fire Research, such that the extension was flush with the threshold onto which the specimen was positioned.

## 1.3 Specimen construction

The complete specimen was supplied by the sponsors.

#### 1.4 Specimen verification

Cambridge Fire Research carried out a detailed survey of the specimen to verify the information provided by the Sponsors. This included verifying the weight, densities, materials and dimensions of construction components wherever possible.

Details and drawings of the construction are shown in Appendix 1.

Photographs of details of the construction taken before the test are shown in Appendix 2.

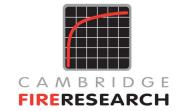
#### 1.5 Specimen installation and fixity

The sponsor installed the specimen into the associated construction. The specimen was asymmetrical and fitted such that the door opened towards the heating conditions of the test at the request of the sponsor. The leaf was latched prior to the start of the test.

The specimen was affixed to the associated construction as described in Appendix 1.

#### 1.6 Specimen selection

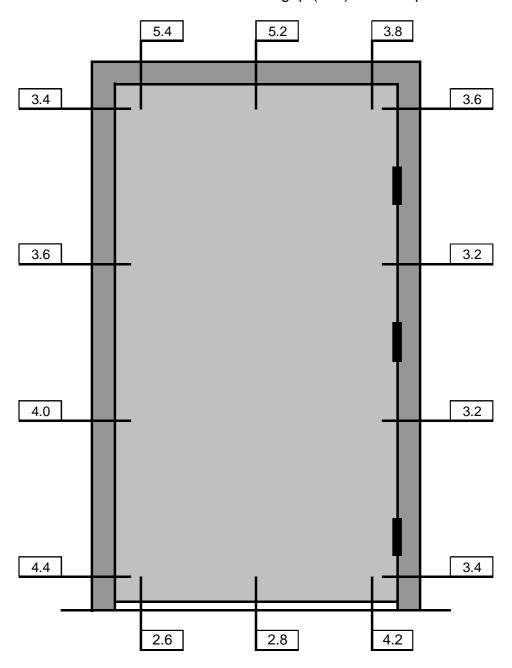
Cambridge Fire Research was not involved in any selection or sampling procedures for the tested specimen.

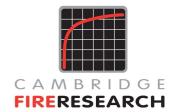


#### **2 PRE-TEST MEASUREMENTS AND SETTING**

## 2.1 Gap measurements

The gap between the leaf edges and the frame and at the threshold was measured on the exposed face prior to the start of the test. The following figure shows the position at which the measurements were made and the recorded gap (mm) at those positions.

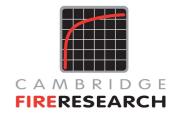




## 2.2 Closer force measurement

The door opening and closing forces for the leaf were measured in accordance with Fire Test Study Group Resolution No. 63 and the calculated moments are shown in the following table.

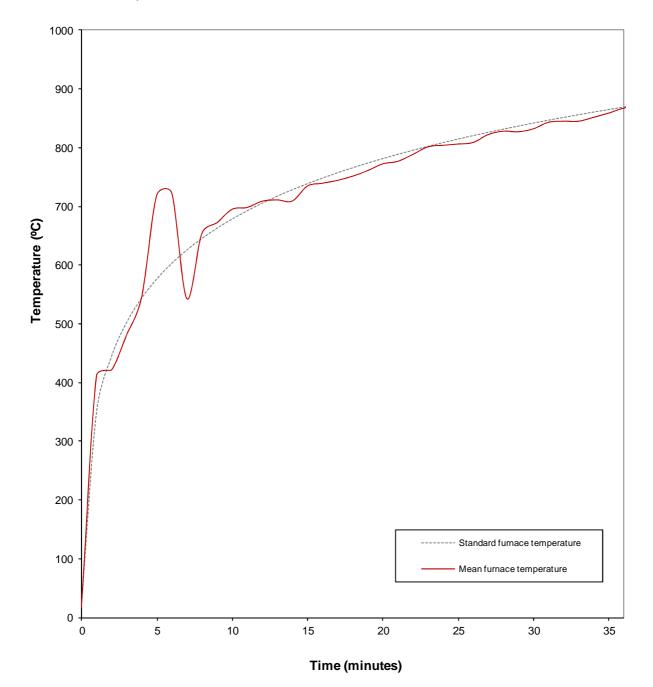
Direction	Closing force	Closing	Opening force	Opening
	(N)	moment (Nm)	(N)	moment (Nm)
Opening				
towards	21.4	12.8	37.3	22.4
heating		12.0		22.4
conditions				

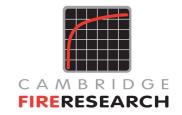


# 3 TEST CONDITIONS, INSTRUMENTATION AND MEASURING

#### 3.1 Furnace temperature

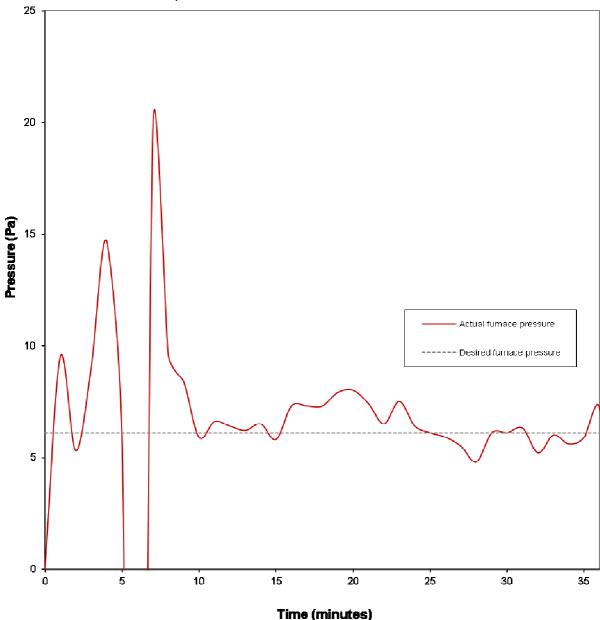
Furnace temperature was controlled so as to follow the standard temperature/time curve defined in the test standard and within the tolerances permitted. The furnace mean temperature was calculated from the output recorded using five furnace thermocouples of the design specified in the test standard. The following graph shows the standard and mean furnace temperature/time data.





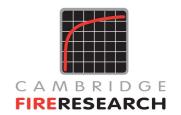
#### 3.2 Furnace pressure

Furnace pressure was maintained for the duration of the test at a nominal + 6.1 Pa measured at the pressure sensing head. When a linear pressure gradient of 8.5 Pa/m is applied this equates to + 0 Pa at 1 m above the notional floor level. The furnace pressure was controlled within the tolerances permitted in the test standard except for 4 instantaneous occasions which were transient events. The following graph shows the actual and desired furnace pressure/time data.



#### 3.3 Ambient temperature

Ambient temperature at the start of the test was 15°C. Ambient temperature ranged between 14 to 15°C during the test.



# 3.4 Unexposed face specimen thermocouples

Surface temperature measuring thermocouples of the design specified in the test standard were affixed to the unexposed face of the specimen to monitor the temperature rise as follows:

Doorset leaf Channels 16 to 20 (mean & maximum)

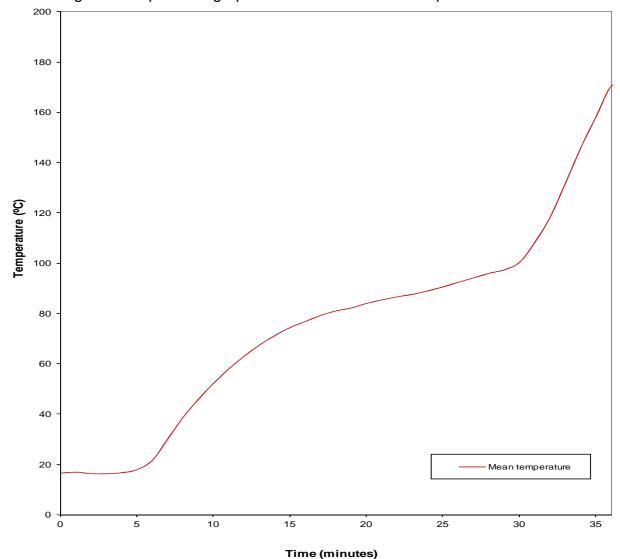
Doorset frame Channels 21 to 23 (maximum only)

The positions of these thermocouples are shown in Appendix 3.

A roving thermocouple was available for measurement of any specific hotspots. Any instances of the use of the roving thermocouple are noted in the observations in Section 4.

The recorded data of all individual thermocouples is shown in the tables in Appendix 4.

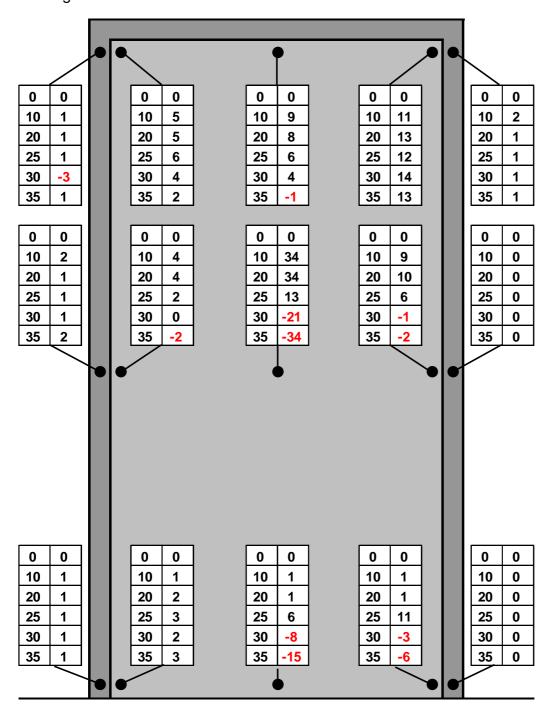
The following time/temperature graph shows the mean leaf temperature.

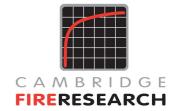




#### 3.5 Deflection

Taut stainless steel wires were anchored horizontally across the unexposed face of the specimen such that any deflection experienced by the test specimen could be measured. One wire was positioned 10 mm vertically below the head of the leaf, the second at midheight and the third 10 mm vertically above the threshold. The following figure shows these positions with the elapsed time (minutes) in the left hand column and the recorded deflection (mm) in the right hand column. Positive values indicate deflection towards the heating conditions of the test.





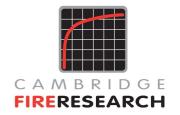
## **4 TEST OBSERVATIONS**

Photographs taken during and after the test are shown in Appendix 2.

TEST OBS	SERVATI	ONS (E = Exposed face: U = Unexposed face)
Time	Face	Observation
(min:sec)		
00:00	U	Start of the test.
05:10	U	Medium smoke/steam is issuing from the head of leaf.
10:00	Е	The timber is fissured.
11:20	U	Medium smoke/steam is issuing from the top hinge. The leaf is bowed towards furnace at head of leaf and is straight at threshold.
16:40	Е	The handle is missing.
20:40	U	The leaf is dropping, not on the threshold.
24:50	U	Ejected aluminium on the threshold at closing stile.
25:35	U	The facing is blistering.
27:00	Е	The majority of the architrave is missing. The core is fissured.
33:14	U	Flashed at closing stile adjacent to latch.
33:44	U	A cotton pad is applied 50mm above latch position, no failure.
34:00		INSULATION FAILURE due to thermocouple 16 exceeding
		maximum temperature criteria.
35:30	U	A cotton pad is applied 50mm above latch.
35:40	U	INTEGRITY FAILURE due to ignition of cotton pad.
36:37	U	Test terminated.

Key

Light smoke/steam – faint wispy
Medium smoke/steam – partially obscuring specimen
Heavy smoke/steam – completely obscuring specimen



## **5 LIMITATIONS**

- 1. The test results relate only to the specimen tested. Appendix A of BS476: Part 20: 1987 provides guidance information on the application of fire resistance tests and the interpretation of test data. Application of the results to specimens of different dimensions, orientation or incorporating different components should be the subject of a design appraisal or further testing.
- 2. The results relate only to the behaviour of the specimen of the element of construction under the particular conditions of test. They are not intended to be the sole criteria for assessing the potential fire performance of the element in use, nor do they reflect the actual behaviour in fires.
- 3. The doorset was asymmetrical and was tested such that the door leaf opened towards the heating conditions of the test at the request of the sponsor. The test results may not be appropriate to situations where the door leaves open away from the heating conditions.

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**Deputy Head of Testing** 

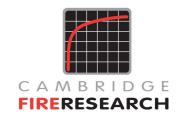
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**Technical Officer** 

Report issued: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019



#### **APPENDIX 1 SPECIMEN CONSTRUCTION**

The item numbers listed in Appendix 1 Table 1 and shown in the figures in Appendix 1 refer to the components of the specimen construction. Any photo numbers refer to those in Appendix 2.

Please note that unless otherwise indicated the following applies:

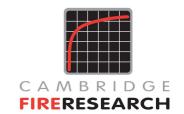
- a) All dimensions and materials of construction were verified by the laboratory.
- b) Figures are not to scale.
- c) All dimensions are given in mm.

## Appendix 1 Table 1

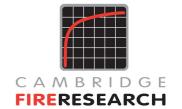
Item	Component	Information			
1	Frame				
	Manufacturer:	SCA Timber Supply Ltd.			
	No of sides:	3			
	Timber:	Softwood			
	Corner joints:	Butt jointed and fixed vertically with 2No. Ø4.6 x			
		75 countersunk steel screws at 42 centres.			
	Fixing to supporting	Fixed using Ø5 x 70 countersunk steel screws.			
	construction:				
	Hanging jamb	Set at 100, 213, 530, 950, 970, 1396 and 1826			
		below reveal.			
	Closing jamb	Set at 100, 430, 530, 965, 1397, 1824 and			
		1867 below reveal.			
	Overall size (h x w x d):	2005 x 815 x 108			
	Cross section size (h x d):	31 x 108			
2	Architrave				
	Supplier:	Howden Ltd.			
	Product code	MOD0821			
	Description:	MDF architrave to each face 8 from the frame			
		reveal with mitred corners affixed with			
		pneumatically fired pins (16swg x 53) at 222 to			
		460 centres.			
	Overall size (d x w):	15 x 44 exposed face			
		15 x 21 unexposed face			
3	Stop				
	Manufacturer:	SCA Timber Supply Ltd.			
	Description:	Softwood butt jointed stops affixed with			
		pneumatically fired pins (16swg x 53) at 225 to			
		415 centres.			
	Overall size (d x w):	25 x 32			
4	Leaf				
	Manufacturer:	Jeld-Wen UK Ltd			
	Description:	A timber stiles and rails flush leaf from Jeld			
		Wen in accordance with their Certifire			
		accreditation CF192, leaf reference A6371404.			
	Overall size (h x w x t):	1966 x 746 x 44			



Item	Component	Information
4	Weight (kg):	22.3
cont	Sub-components	
	Core:	
	Type:	Tube core
	Material:	Chipboard
		Tube core set inside of the softwood timber
	Description:	
		stiles and rails.
	Stiles:	
	Material:	Softwood
	Adhesive:	Soudal Pro 45p Ultrafast PU**
	Overall size (h x w x d):	1958 x 32 x 38
	Rails:	
	Description:	Softwood outer rail and chipboard inner rail to
	Boomption.	top of leaf only, with chipboard at 90°
		orientation to leaf core.
	Adhesive:	
		Soudal Pro 45p Ultrafast PU**
	Overall size (h x t):	32 x 38 (outer)
		32 x 38 (inner)
	Lipping:	
	Material:	Meranti (red hardwood)
	Reference:	Howden MOD0071
	Adhesive:	Soudal Pro 45p Ultrafast PU**
	Description:	Applied to vertical edges and to leaf bottom.
	Overall size (d x t):	44 x 8 closing stile
	Overall size (d x t).	44 x 6 hanging stile
		44 x 8 leaf bottom
	Facings:	
	Material:	Plywood
	Adhesive:	Soudal Pro 45p Ultrafast PU**
	Description:	Lippings oversail ply facing.
	Overall size (t):	3
5	Hinges	
	Supplier:	Frisco UK
	Type:	Ecllipse Grade 11 ball bearing butt hinges
	Material:	Stainless steel
	Number:	3
	Position:	150, 900 and 1650 from top of leaf to top of
	FUSITION.	· · ·
	Diada sins (b d )	hinge.
	Blade size (h x d x t):	102 x 30 x 3
	Knuckle size (Ø):	14
	Fixings:	4No. Ø4.8 x 31 countersunk stainless steel
		screws
6	Closer	
	Manufacturer:	Astra Door Controls Ltd
	Part Number:	Astra 4000 series
	Description:	A concealed jamb mounted closer with fully
		controllable functions positioned at 1042 from
		the top of the leaf.
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Item	Component	Information
6	Overall size:	
cont	Body (I x Ø):	216 x 28
	Face plate (h x d x t):	106 x 32 x 3
	Fixings:	6No. Ø4.2 x 38 countersunk steel screws per
	i ixiiigo.	forend.
7	Latch/Lock	Totoliai
<del>-</del>	Manufacturer:	Hoppe (UK) Ltd.**
	Type:	Nickel plated tubular mortice latch
	Spindle height (h):	900 from bottom of leaf
	Overall size:	300 Hom bottom or lear
	Body (h x d x w):	20 x 15 x 78
	,	58 x 24 x 1.5
	Forend (h x d x t):	
•	Strike (h x d x w):	58 x 34 x 1.5 including 27h x 15d tongue
8	Handleset	
	Manufacturer:	Hoppe (UK) Ltd.**
	Part Number:	Edinburgh Chrome Latch
	Type:	Aluminium lever handle
	Overall size:	
	Backplate (h x w x d):	103 x 40 x 9
	Handle (w x Ø):	110 x 21 to 14
9	Intumescent - Frame	
	Manufacturer:	Astroflame**
	Part number:	ITS 0005**
	Description:	A graphite based intumescent in a white pvc
		holder with pile smoke seal, set 15 from the
		hinge knuckle face and fully interrupted at the
		hinges, closer and strike.
	Overall size (d x t):	15 x 4
10	Intumescent – Latch/lock	
	body	
	Manufacturer:	Astroflame**
	Part number:	ITS 0050**
	Description:	Graphite based intumescent wrapped around
	P	latch body.
	Overall size (t):	1
11	Intumescent – closer	
	body	
	Manufacturer:	Astroflame**
	Part number:	ITS 0050**
	Description:	Graphite based intumescent wrapped around
	3 2 3 1 1 2 3 1 1	closer body.
	Overall size (t):	1
12	Intumescent - Hinges	
	Supplier:	Howdens Joinery
	Manufacturer:	Eclipse
	Part number:	14903 (Howdens Joinery part no.: ITS0030)
		,
	Description:	Graphite hinge pad under all blades.



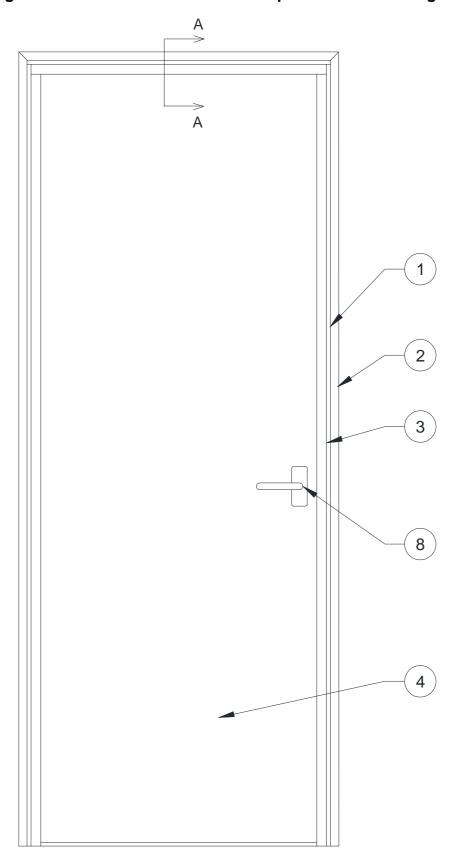
Item	Component	Information
12	Overall size (t):	1
13	Fire stopping detail	
	Description:	Gaps between the frame and associated construction were packed with Unifrax Insulfrax S blanket and capped with Pyrocoustic Fire Resistant Sealant on both faces.

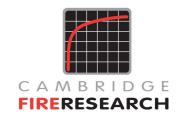
# Key:

- \* Nominal value;
  \*\* Sponsor declared value or detail, not verified by laboratory;
  \* Value or detail identified post test from remains of specimen

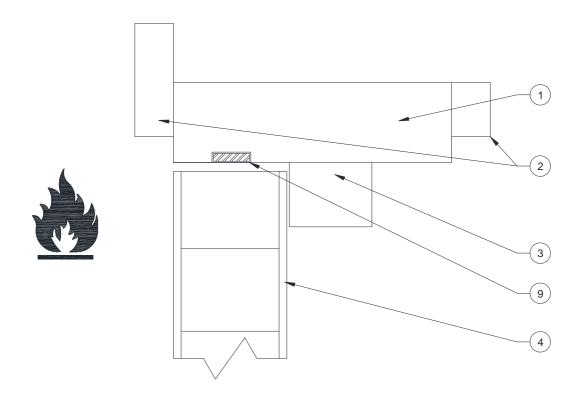


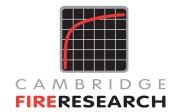
Appendix 1 Figure 1 –Elevation viewed from unexposed face including hidden detail





# Appendix 1 Figure 2 – Section A – A





## **APPENDIX 2 PHOTOGRAPHS**

# **Appendix 2.1 Pre-test photos**

Photo 2.1.1



Photo 2.1.3



Photo 2.1.5



Photo 2.1.2



Photo 2.1.4



Photo 2.1.6





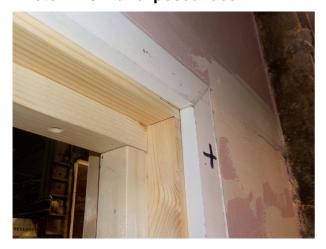
Photo 2.1.7



Photo 2.1.8



Photo 2.1.9 – unexposed face



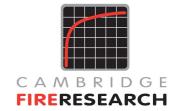
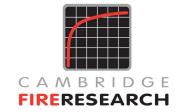


Photo 2.1.10





# **Appendix 2.2 During test photos**

## Photo 2.2.1



Photo 2.2.2

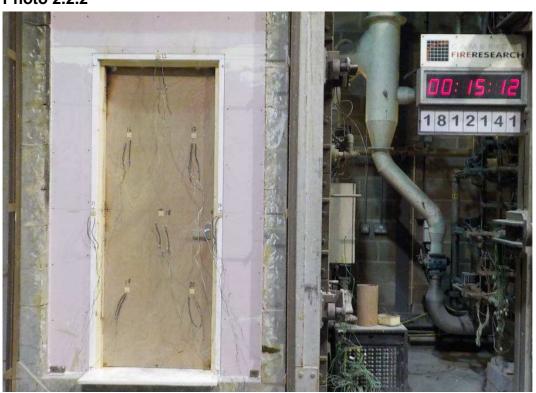
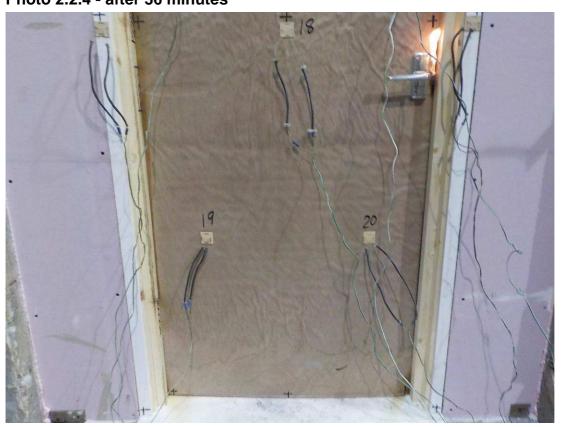


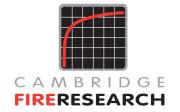


Photo 2.2.3



Photo 2.2.4 - after 36 minutes





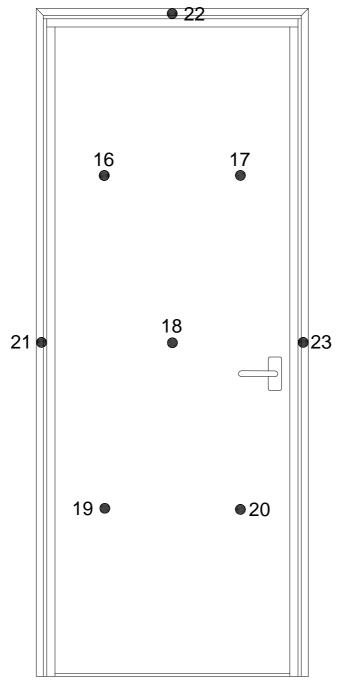
# Appendix 2.3 Post-test photos

# Photo 2.3.1

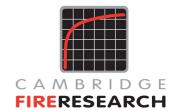




## **APPENDIX 3 POSITIONING OF INSTRUMENTATION**



Unexposed face specimen thermocouple



# **APPENDIX 4 RECORDED THERMOCOUPLE DATA**

Time	Chan 16	Chan 17	Chan 18	Chan 19	Chan 20	Chan 21	Chan 22	Chan 23
min	°C	°C	$^{\circ}\mathbb{C}$	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
0	17	18	16	16	15	16	17	16
1	18	18	17	16	15	16	18	16
2	17	17	16	16	15	16	20	16
3	17	17	16	16	15	15	25	16
4	18	18	16	16	15	15	29	16
5	20	20	16	17	16	15	30	16
6	25	28	18	20	17	15	26	16
7	36	38	22	30	24	16	25	16
8	46	47	29	39	32	16	23	16
9	53	54	35	47	40	15	22	15
10	60	60	41	53	47	15	22	16
11	65	66	47	59	53	15	21	16
12	69	70	52	64	60	15	22	16
13	73	74	56	69	65	15	22	16
14	76	77	60	73	70	16	22	16
15	78	80	64	76	74	16	22	16
16	80	82	67	79	76	16	22	16
17	82	83	71	81	79	16	22	16
18	83	85	74	82	81	16	23	16
19	84	86	76	83	82	16	23	16
20	85	88	79	84	84	16	23	17
21	87	89	80	86	85	16	24	17
22	88	90	82	87	86	16	24	17
23	89	92	82	88	87	16	25	17
24	91	94	83	89	88	17	25	17
25	94	96	84	90	89	17	26	17
26	97	98	85	92	90	17	26	17
27	99	99	85	95	93	17	27	17
28	100	100	86	99	95	17	28	18
29	102	101	87	100	97	18	29	18
30	109	107	88	100	98	18	29	18
31	128	124	89	102	99	18	30	18
32	148	142	91	110	101	19	31	18
33	166	158	93	130	113	19	31	18
34	100	172	95	149	131	20	31	19
	183	112	55			-		
35	183 198	185	96	166	147	20	32	19