



# Technical Fire Safety

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The CLG circular number 7/2009 (Computer modelling of basement fires) has concluded that, when ventilating basements, “using pavement lights cannot be relied on as a safe practice for fire and rescue services during fire fighting”. The research recommends that venting of a basement compartment via a second compartment is not advisable.

The findings will be included in future revisions to Building Regulations and associated design standards however during the interim period, Building Regulation applications that rely on pavement lights for fire fighting ventilation purposes should not be accepted.