

GMB YOUR VOICE IN ASDA MARCH 2024 ASDA LOWESTOFT FALSIFIED FIRE SAFETY RECORDS

Dear members,

GMB London Region have today submitted a grievance against senior management of ASDA Lowestoft following discovering that fire safety risk assessments and fire safety actions have been falsified.

GMB London Region discovered yesterday that a review of the fire safety risk assessment was undertaken on 7th March 2024 with all points actioned to say they had been completed.



However, it was discovered yesterday once the review, from 7th March 2024, had been redone that there were 18 items that had required actions to be compliant, out of 24 total items.

This demonstrates that a senior manager appears to have falsified the company records in the review paperwork, with the intention of defrauding the compliance process in order to falsely claim that ASDA Lowestoft was fully compliant in fire safety.

The fire Risk assessment is a legally required process which covers major health & safety and fire safety risks.

Ignorance of the issues identified in the second review could have resulted in serious injury or death in the event of a fire or evacuation of the store and could have resulted in significant fines towards ASDA.

The review has now been correctly undertaken and actions identified are to be actioned.

GMB London Region will keep you updated upon progress.

If you are impacted by a similar issue and would like support or advice, please contact our office at 01603 626492, or visit our GMB Members' Support Centre at <u>www.gmb-asda.com/support</u>

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