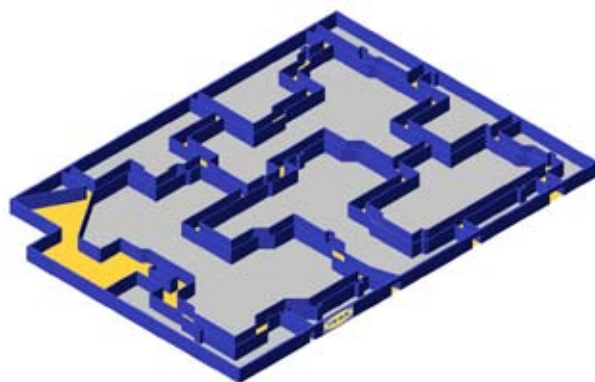




FIRE PROTECTION CONSULTANTS



INDUSTRY: Retail industry
SERVICE: Consultancy (legal compliance)
LOCATION: Belgium, all stores
PERIOD: October 2003 – Ongoing
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IKEA is one of the world's top home furnishing product retailers. Rather than selling expensive home furnishings that only a few can buy, the IKEA Concept makes it possible to serve the many by providing low-priced products that contribute to helping more people live a better life at home. It operates in about 37 countries and services over 583 million visitors in 260 stores.

PROJECT GOAL AND SCOPE

- Provide an alternative for a legal requirement towards evacuation strategy.
- A derogation request was entered based upon additional fire safety measures provided by IKEA that were not requested by Belgian legislation.
- Evacuation modeling of all stores.

BUSINESS NEEDS

- The company wanted to adhere to its internationally used store concept that did not entirely fit Belgian legislation.

BUSINESS BENEFITS

- Legal compliance whilst maintaining the IKEA store concept.
- A safe shopping experience for its customers.