

Fire Insurance Plans

Insight Report



Groundsure's Fire Insurance Plans bring added historical clarity to contaminated land assessments using detailed plans created by Charles E. Goad. Using the most advanced re-pagination process available, these plans deliver the most detailed and easy to use historic, industrial land use mapping.

RRP: <2 ha: £20 +VAT

Delivery: 1-4 hrs*

Reliance: £10m**

Overview

Originally developed as Fire Insurance Plans for commercial premises, these plans offer incredibly detailed information relating to historic industrial activity. This insight into the previous use of individual industrial spaces on industrial sites is uniquely presented making it easier to use and more informative.

Groundsure's Fire Insurance Plans seamlessly stitch historical map imagery of a similar age together to support straightforward interpretation and clarity. Scale is also standardised, making these maps more comprehensive and easier to read.

Any gaps in the Fire Insurance Plans, which are available in large towns and cities across the UK for specific industrial sites, are filled with contemporary mapping, giving a clear impression of the whole site. Groundsure's Fire Insurance Plans are the only product to offer this functionality.

Maps used cover the period 1878 to 1970 giving a wide overview of previous industrial land use and are available for relevant sites up to two hectares.

CHARLES E. GOAD

Our plans were originally produced as Fire Insurance Plans (F.I.Ps) by Charles E. Goad Ltd. in the late 19th century.

In addition to showing the materials used in building construction and the location of water supplies, the maps show the location of particular fire hazards such as chemical storage and processing areas, ovens and other such areas that are of interest to contaminated land practitioners.

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The first plans appeared in 1886, and by 1896 the collection comprised 73 volumes of plans for 37 cities. By 1912 the collection had grown to 124 volumes across 57 cities, though following this there was no significant expansion to new towns. Many cities saw significantly expanded coverage between 1928 and 1935, and regular revision of plans continued until the 1970s.

The plans were produced for the most important towns and cities in Great Britain at that time using a scale of 1:480 (1 inch to 40 feet). As a result, coverage for these towns varies.

Why this report?

- ✓ The only Fire Insurance Plans report with seamless stitching applied to maps of a similar age
- ✓ Reveals type and scale of historic industrial activity for clear contamination risk assessments
- ✓ Detail types of materials used in building construction, including risk materials such as asbestos
- ✓ Site plan included to provide context

**Average turnaround times are 1-4 hours for sites up to 2ha.*

***Reliance: £10m Professional Indemnity Insurance (any one claim). Can be relied upon by all professional parties within a property transaction, first purchasers / tenants and their advisers. Please refer to Groundsure terms & conditions.*

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If you have any further questions about this our in house experts are always available!