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This paper is dedicated to reviewing requirements for the fire protection of facade, the mechanism of fire transfer across facades and the impact of facade material, in terms of their potential fire risks and safety issues. Although there are requirements for facade fire resistance and for sufficient distance between floors, they are not always respected. Mainly thanks to the windows, fire can usually spread on the upper floors over the outside walls of the facade. Also, since the increase of energy efficiency of buildings is largely achieved by better thermal insulation, or by placing additional layers of insulating material on its cover, new materials and other components that are installed, can contribute either individually or together to the increased fire load and a higher risk of fire. This paper provides a brief overview of the problem and possible solutions to control the risk of facade fire.

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