



Museum of Fire
Articles on Historic Firefighting Equipment

Edinburgh Fire Establishment-Helmets - 1929

In 1928 the whole country was connected to the National Grid and every household had access to electricity by 1929.

This meant it became dangerous to tackle a house fire wearing a metal helmet. It was therefore agreed to revert to wearing leather helmets.

The one chosen was a standard leather helmet manufactured by Hendrys of Glasgow, it was decided however that it would have a brass trim with a circular brass badge showing the City's coat of arms and the title of Edinburgh Fire Brigade.

