



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader
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 Our Ref:
 Your Ref: N/A
 Date: 29 January 2021
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Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2020-265-310)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 31 December 2020. Our response is provided below:

Q1 What is the number of crew per station (e.g. station X - 9 Firefighters, 2 Crew Managers, 1 Watch Manager)

Within Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) the establishment is based on the station type. Our Full Time Equivalent (FTE) of posts for our duty systems is outlined below (station list is provided in Q2):

- Wholetime Duty System (WDS) stations: 24 (with the exception of one station being 44)
- Variable Crewing System (VCS) stations: 8
- Retained Duty System (RDS) stations: 11 – 19 depending on service requirements

Q2 What is the crewing type at each of your stations (e.g. Retained, Wholetime etc.)

Please refer to the table below (some stations are listed in multiple columns as they operate multiple crewing systems at those locations):

Crewing type	WDS	VCS	RDS
Stations	The Mounts, Moulton, Mereway, Kettering, Corby and Wellingborough	Daventry and Rushden	Towcester, Woodford Halse, Daventry, Long Buckby, Guilsborough, Brixworth, Brackley, Moulton, Kettering, Rothwell, Oundle, Thrapston, Raunds, Burton Latimer, Desborough, Earls Barton, Wellingborough, Irthlingborough and Rushden

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Q3 *What, if any vehicles are cross crewed with another appliance?*

NFRS do have vehicles that are cross crewed with other appliances but are exempting the release of the specific vehicles under Section 24 [National Security] as the release of this information into the public domain could interfere with our operational response to incidents.

Q4 *What are the normal crew levels before a vehicle dispatches? (e.g. 5 crew on a pump, 1 on an ALP, 2 on a WrC, etc)*

In NFRS, the standard crewing level for a Compact Pumping Appliance is 4 riders. For a standard Pumping Appliance (including aerial appliances) it is 5 riders and for special appliances the standard crewing level is 2 riders.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2020-265-310.

Yours sincerely

Service Information Team Leader

If you are unhappy with the response, you can ask the Service to review it. To do this, please email enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk or alternatively write to the address below:

Service Information Manager
Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service
Moulton Logistics Centre
Moulton Way
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Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
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