



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader
 Tel: 01604 797000
 Our ref: N/A
 Your ref: 25 June 2021
 Date:

If you have any difficulty in obtaining the above telephone number please email enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk.

Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2021-45-50)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 24 May 2021. Our response is provided below:

Q1 Please provide a yearly breakdown of the number of times your fire service were called out to extinguish a barbecue, or were called out to tackle an incident caused by a barbecue (e.g. called to extinguish a fire in a park, beach or woodland caused by a barbecue) in 2020 and 2021.

Please refer to the table below (figures are in calendar years):

Incidents relating to barbecues	2020	2021*	Total
Careless disposal	7	3	10
Incorrect handling/maintenance	2	2	4
Grand total	9	5	14

**Period covered is 01 January to 31 May 2021*

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) attended 7 fires in 2020 which could be attributed to careless disposal of a barbecue or barbecue coals and a further 3 fires in 2021 up till the end of May 2021. These incidents include fires in wheelie bins occurring at domestic properties.

The incidents attribute to barbecues labelled incorrect handling/maintenance in the table above are for fires, which occurred involving barbecues due to ignition of materials such as fat build up.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2021-45-50.

Yours sincerely

Service Information Team Leader

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Information Commissioner
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