



Commissioner's Orders

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TRAINING

Operational Firefighter Driver Training.

This instruction rescinds Commissioners Orders 2003/26 'Qualifications for operating NSWFB appliances'

Permanent Firefighters

As part of the initial training program, all permanent firefighters are trained to drive FRNSW heavy vehicles and are provided a sound understanding of FRNSW policies, procedures, and legislation related to driving and responding under emergency conditions. The training also awards the national Unit of Competency 'Drive vehicles under operational conditions'

After completing initial training, firefighters must record 35 hours of driving hours and 10 hours of pump operations in the six months following initial training, which includes conducting appliance [SIMS](#) checks. A minimum of five hours of this component will include night driving to gain expertise as heavy vehicle drivers and become familiar with their appliance and station area before driving under response conditions.

The [Driving Hours Log for Permanent Firefighters](#) is available in the Learning Station and must be completed after each drive or training session. Each entry must be at least 15 minutes to count towards your total time and tasks must be verified and signed by your Station Commander.

At the completion of the required hours, the driving log is submitted through the Learning Station for qualifications to be updated and the firefighter will receive an automated response, notifying them they can drive under response conditions.

Retained firefighters

Retained firefighters undergo driver training on an as-needed basis, determined by the Zone Commander. Retained Firefighters identified to become motor drivers, able to respond under response conditions will make applications through their respective Zone commands

Licence upgrades to the appropriate license are generally provided through local providers coordinated by Zone Management. All Transport for NSW requirements apply for medium rigid licences. The Appliance Training Unit (ATU) may assist zones with licence upgrades, depending on the availability of qualified heavy vehicle assessors within the training unit.

Regional training conducts pump schools. These are held regularly in each Zone on an as-needed basis.

The following procedure will apply to all Retained Firefighters when making applications for driver training:

- Once an application is approved by the Zone Commander, the applicant will undertake a license upgrade through local vendors or ATU.
- When an applicant holds an MR licence, the application will be forwarded to Regional Training.
- Regional Training will schedule pump school in consultation with Zone management and firefighters will be allocated to training by Zone Management.

- The applicant will complete pump school by Regional Training which includes training on the appliance types. Should the training appliance differ from the appliance at the firefighter's respective station, Regional Training will train the applicant on the appliance type at the applicant's station as soon as practicable.
- After completing initial training, retained firefighters must record 10 hours of driving hours and 5 hours of pump operations following pump school. A minimum of two hours of this component will include night driving.
- The [Driving and Pump Hours Log for Retained Firefighters](#) is available in the Learning Station and completed after each drive or training session. Each entry must be a minimum of 15 minutes to count towards your total time and tasks must be verified and signed by the officer in charge. Once complete the Station Management Team (SMT) on the recommendation of the Station Commander, will deem the candidates' hours to be complete.

On completion of the required hours, the driving log is submitted through the Learning Station for qualifications to be updated and the firefighter will receive an automated response, notifying them they can drive under response conditions.

Further information on this process can be found on the Appliance Training Toolkit.

NOTICES

Overt Video Surveillance

As per In Order 2006-13 Overt Video Surveillance has been installed at Orange Fire Station. The installation was done as a deterrent to inappropriate interactions with firefighters, and to capture any criminal activity outside Orange Fire Station. The cameras cover the front, side and rear access to the fire station including the rear yard. No internal spaces are covered by these cameras and recording does not include any audio capability.

The capability is intended to be switch on from 0800 hrs on October 9th, 2024 on an ongoing basis.

Any footage will only be used by NSW Police to identify any criminal activity in the area. Signage advising employees and members of the public that the area is under video surveillance is displayed at the front and rear entrances to the Station. Consultation with all staff at Orange occurred prior to the installation.

Contact Officer: Supt Brett Jackson Zone Commander RW2 on 0429 826 464

FIREFIGHTER NOTICES

Vacancies

All current firefighter vacancies may be accessed via the [Internal Jobs Board](#) and applications must be completed online by following the links provided. For any technical assistance in submitting your application please contact the Talent Acquisition Team at recruitment@fire.nsw.gov.au.

Online applications must include a brief cover letter, resume and address the two targeted questions.

On-Call Firefighter to Permanent Firefighter 343 Katoomba

Applications are invited from Retained Firefighters who are currently attached to the Blue Mountains Local Government Area, 226 Blackheath, 301 Glenbrook, 343 Katoomba, 359 Lawson, 361 Leura, 386 Mt Victoria, 445 Springwood, 495 Wentworth Falls fire stations, for the role of Permanent Firefighter, 343 Katoomba, Metropolitan Operations. This is a first-round advertisement of this position.

Inquiries: A/Supt Ian Stubbs, Zone Commander MW3 on 0483 077 983

Closing date: 04 December 2024

PageUp reference: 493421

Job board link: [PageUp Internal Jobs Board](#)

Permanent Firefighters (Transfer to Turvey Park)

Applications are invited from Permanent Firefighters holding the ranks Firefighter, Qualified Firefighter, Senior Firefighter or Leading Firefighter to transfer to RS3 – Turvey Park transfer area. Applications are being sought in accordance with clause 28.3.4.3 and will be processed in accordance with clause 28.3.3.1 of the Crown Employees (Fire and Rescue NSW Permanent Firefighting Staff) Award 2023.

Applications should be made using the Application for Transfer Register - '[Transfer Register Form](#)'

Inquiries: Supt Stewart Alexander Zone Commander RS3 on 0417 651 826

Closing Date: 04 December 2024

Applications to: RosterOfficer@fire.nsw.gov.au

Permanent Firefighters (Transfer to Broken Hill)

Applications are invited from Permanent Firefighters holding the ranks Firefighter, Qualified Firefighter, Senior Firefighter or Leading Firefighter to transfer to RW3 – Broken Hill transfer area. Applications are being sought in accordance with clause 28.3.4.3 and will be processed in accordance with clause 28.3.3.1 of the Crown Employees (Fire and Rescue NSW Permanent Firefighting Staff) Award 2023.

Applications should be made using the Application for Transfer Register - '[Transfer Register Form](#)'

Inquiries: Supt Steven Evans Zone Commander RW3 on 0438 226 374

Closing Date: 04 December 2024

Applications to: RosterOfficer@fire.nsw.gov.au

Promotions

Senior Firefighter to Leading Firefighter

9368	D McGinn	05 August 2024
900624	L Dansie	25 June 2024
900713	D Yager	18 July 2024
901269	S O'Shea	01 August 2024

Qualified Firefighter to Senior Firefighter

Class 14

904975	M Casey	06 August 2024
905347	C Cassady	13 March 2024
905730	S Dingle	03 February 2024
906306	M Blake	07 January 2024
906317	M Springall	07 January 2024
910052	R Clarkstone	09 July 2024

Class 15

9000	S Brook	16 September 2024
903806	E Killen	20 October 2024
904577	M Hinton	18 July 2024
906065	S Robinson	28 August 2024
906068	A Young	21 October 2024
906590	W Riley	20 May 2025

Firefighter to Qualified Firefighter

909101	H Langdon	13 January 2025
909141	G Kelly	17 April 2025
909227	N Smith	22 May 2025
909322	L Milton	24 July 2025

Recruit Firefighter to Firefighter

Class 6

910139	S Masero-Sheridan	31 October 2024
910141	L McCallum	31 October 2024
910148	J Strong	31 October 2024
910154	B Dryden	31 October 2024
910158	A Grice	31 October 2024
910159	O Whistler	31 October 2024
235026	M Duncan	31 October 2024
910137	M Sullivan	31 October 2024
910138	B Wheeler	31 October 2024
909453	R Geddes	31 October 2024
910134	M Hastie	31 October 2024
910136	R Narvo	31 October 2024
905922	A Bolster	31 October 2024
908852	L Nadiotis	31 October 2024
908841	H Barnfield	31 October 2024
907423	J Freinberger	31 October 2024
908595	S Barron	31 October 2024
907169	N Holz	31 October 2024
906692	M Faraway	31 October 2024

New members appointed to Brigades

910375	O Dodson	Bowraville		14 October 2024
910381	A Barry	Abermain		16 October 2024
910383	R Rossi	Dungog		16 October 2024
910387	K Smith	Bingara		16 October 2024
910380	E Bidner	Merriwa		18 October 2024
910389	J Alley	Yass		18 October 2024
910390	J Akmens	Bombala		21 October 2024
910391	K Guppy	Wingham		21 October 2024
910395	S Powell	Batemans Bay		21 October 2024
910396	J Steel	South Tamworth		21 October 2024
910397	P Damian Lopez	Dungog		22 October 2024
910398	M Zur	Maitland		22 October 2024
910400	J McGowan	Barham		23 October 2024
910410	J Piper	Kearsley		24 October 2024
910394	C White	Menai		25 October 2024
910402	P Morgan	Bega		25 October 2024
910403	H Filmer	Bega		25 October 2024
910404	J Tencate	Helensburgh		28 October 2024
910418	M Howarth	Riverstone		29 October 2024
910401	J Kinces	Hay		01 November 2024
910406	F Piper	Scarborough		04 November 2024

Transfers

906867	A Taranto	Blackheath	to	Lithgow West	14 October 2024
904958	A MacDonald	Bellbird	to	Paxton	25 October 2024
906247	E Lawrence	Rutherford	to	Maitland	28 October 2024

Appointment to Rank

521081	A Kennedy	Deputy Captain		Crookwell	21 October 2024
902093	T Commerford	Deputy Captain		Yamba	28 October 2024

Separations

909476	N Walters	Wallsend	21 September 2024
901497	J Cooper	Menai	27 September 2024
910034	H Chen	Walgett	30 September 2024
908169	R Raymond	South Grafton	03 October 2024
909255	S Mezups	Ulladulla	04 October 2024
909419	H McLeod	Cobar	11 October 2024
212031	J Camin	Balranald	11 October 2024
908951	S Turner	Coffs Harbour	18 October 2024
908441	A Jahn	Merimbula	19 October 2024
907172	P Lipscombe	Mount Victoria	22 October 2024
906382	R Mellor	Forster	31 October 2024

Retirements

6152	Insp B Crotty	Metro North 1 Zone Office	23 October 2024
7777	SO R Weckert	Community Fire Unit	21 October 2024
8865	SF T Lal	Maroubra Fire Station	01 November 2024
520145	R Hutchison	Narrandera	31 October 2024
901583	H Carruthers	Maitland	31 October 2024

Honorary List

212031	J Camin	Balranald	12 October 2024
520145	R Hutchison	Narrandera	01 November 2024

ADMINISTRATION AND TRADE NOTICES

Appointments

Service No.	Name	Position	Effective date
30197	R Boulton	Fire Vehicle Repairer Team Leader	18 October 2024
904066	M Sapiro	Senior Business Support Coordinator	25 October 2024
910405	L Johnstone	Manager Industrial Relations Strategy	28 October 2024
905941	S Torning	Senior Workforce Analyst	28 October 2024
910384	J Shultz	Senior Industrial Officer	28 October 2024
908840	A Ters	Fire Vehicle Repairer	30 October 2024

Separations

909533	A Dixon	RW Command Business Support Officer	01 November 2024
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Commissioner
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