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Enquiries to: Information Compliance Officer Your Reference: Crewing Levels

Dear Mr Stevens,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

We are writing in respect of your recent application for the release of information held by the Authority.

You asked:

"Please could you provide me with the following information about crews of appliances."

Number of crew per station (e.g. 9 Station X - 9 Firefighters, 2 Crew Managers, 1 Watch Manager) Station Crewing Type (e.g. Retained, Wholetime etc) What, if any vehicles are cross crewed with another appliance.

Normal crew levels before a vehicle dispatches (e.g. 5 crew on a pump, 1 on an ALP, 2 on a WrC, etc)"

You subsequently clarified in response to our correspondence that you would like both the 'minimum' and 'average' crew levels before despatch.

Our answer:

Please find attached spreadsheet that contains a breakdown of the number of crew per station and appliance. You will note that the Command Support Vehicle (CSV) varies with crew level before despatch; this is because it depends on the size of the incident.

Some appliances can be 'cross crewed' this is known as 'double jumping'. Any special appliance can be 'double jumped'. It is dependent on what appliance is kept at what station as to what special appliance is 'double jumped' so there is no definitive answer to exactly what appliances are double jumped with others.

Any future correspondence with HFRS in relation to this matter should be sent to the Information Compliance Officer at the above address.

If for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response you may request an internal review by contacting DP@hantsfire.gov.uk or by writing to the Governance and Compliance Team at Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Leigh Road, Eastleigh, Hampshire, SO50 9SJ.

Should you remain dissatisfied you can appeal against the internal review decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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