# SERVICE STANDARD 2.1.3 BRIGADE REGISTERS

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## 1 Purpose

- 1.1 This Service Standard states the responsibilities of rural fire brigades and rural fire districts in relation to brigade registers.
- 1.2 The development and maintenance of a brigade register is a requirement under section 20 of the *Rural Fires Act 1997*.

# 2 Policy

- 2.1 Each rural fire brigade must maintain a current brigade register which records:
  - a. the name of the brigade;
  - b. the name and date of birth of each member of the brigade;
  - c. the position, rank and status held by each member of the brigade;
  - d. a telephone number for each member of the brigade and other appropriate emergency contact details.
- 2.2 It is each rural fire brigade's responsibility to provide updated membership details to the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) human resource database, via the Fire Control Centre or the MyRFS website.
- 2.3 It is the responsibility of the district manager to ensure the NSW RFS human resource database reflects the current membership details within the district.
- 2.4 Each year, prior to the brigade annual general meeting (AGM), the district's manager will provide the secretary with the brigade members contact details as a reminder to update this information and submit it to the district manager following the AGM.
- 2.5 Information contained in brigade registers and the NSW RFS human resource database is used to facilitate the efficient call-out of members and as a record of membership status and history.

2.6 Brigades are advised that the information included in brigade registers and NSW RFS human resource database is subject to the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* and Service Standard 1.1.14.

#### 3 Related documents

- > Rural Fires Act 1997
- > Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998
- Service Standard 1.1.14 Personal Information and Privacy
- Service Standard 1.1.21 Stand Down/Removal from Membership & Notification of Criminal Charges & Convictions
- > Service Standard 2.1.2 Brigade Constitution
- > Service Standard 2.1.6 Joining the RFS as a Volunteer Member (including Transfer Applications)

### 4 Amendments

AMENDMENT DATE	VERSION NO	DESCRIPTION
1 September 1999	1.0	Initial release
15 October 2001	1.1	> Repealed and remade SS 2.1.3 v1.0
		Clauses 2.6, 2.7 and 7 updated
		Application for Membership/Transfer Form attached
13 May 2003	1.2	> Repealed and remade SS 2.1.3 v1.1
		Title changed from "membership of Brigades" to "Brigade Registers"
		"Application for Membership/Transfer "Form updated
17 January 2005	1.3	> Repealed and remade SS 2.1.3 v1.2
		> Document owner updated
		> Clause 2.7 updated
21 January 2005	1.4	> Repealed and remade SS 2.1.3 v1.3
		"Application for Membership/Transfer "Form updated
		> Application for Junior Membership included
		> Clause 2.7 updated
May 2007	1.5	> SS 2.1.3 v1.5 repealed
11 June 2009	2.0	> Reinstated SS 2.1.3 and updates v1.5
		> Complete review
		> Clause 2.4 added
30 July 2018	2.1	> Repeals and remakes SS 2.1.3 v2.0
		> Minor administrative amendments for consistency
		> Change of terminology - DTZ to District