



A day in the life of a Fire Fighter



0545 Duty crew arrive and change into working rig for the shift.

0600 Start of shift: crew allocated to vehicle for the shift and perform daily inspection which includes;

- Vehicle checks, oil, water, lights, tyre pressures etc.
- vehicle pump test, ability to produce water and foam
- equipment checks, correctly stowed and serviceable
- breathing apparatus sets checked, in working order with correct cylinder contents
- results of checks recorded
- any defects repaired or reported
- tenders replenished with water

0630 Shift protocol where any issues with:-

- Fire service equipment or appliances are dealt with,
- General airport matters for the watch are discussed
- Training for the day
- New operational or managing director's notices
- Visitors to the station,
- Work on the airfield and
- Updates on any ongoing projects.

0730 Break

0800 Daily station routines to include:-

- Cleaning equipment
- Accommodation,
- Maintenance of equipment, monthly and yearly tests
- Personnel projects
- Fire safety



1000 - 1330 Fire service training to include:-

- Physical fitness training
- Alarm/extinguisher testing
- Ad-hoc tasks required.

Training on aircraft simulator
Breathing apparatus training

1330 - 1345 Hand-over period with oncoming watch. Information is passed concerning the use of any equipment and vehicle requirements, fuel etc.

1400 End of shift

Oncoming watch will basically follow the same pattern and duties as the early watch with the shift ending at 2300 hours.

Primarily we are here for Aircraft emergency situations on or within the vicinity of the airfield, we also respond to first aid calls and road traffic accidents anywhere on the airfield and the routes leading in.

We also have an outer response area should we be required to attend an aircraft incident.

