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Tēnā koe D

Thank you for your request of 23 February 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- I request the deployable appliance requirements for all alarm levels. If possible, please include all deployable assets, including specialist vehicles, officers, and partner agency assets such as ambulances.

Thank you for your further email of 6 March 2024, refining your request to be for the following:

- The deployable appliance requirements for structure fires only across one zone for each alarm level in central Whangārei.
- The names of the 20 event types

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and our response is below.

The Pre-Determined Attendance (PDA) for a structure fire (STRU) in the Whangareai CBD zone is:

Event Type	Alarm Level	PDA
STRU		Add Alarm Level Remove Alarm Level
	1st Alarm	2 PUMP
	2nd Alarm	1 SUPPT 2 PUMP
	3rd Alarm	2 PUMP 1 COMU
	4th Alarm	2 PUMP
	5th Alarm	2 PUMP

- A PUMP is a typical fire appliance, typically with a crew of four firefighters.
- A SUPPT is a support unit, typically an Operational Support Vehicle used for scene control and supporting the firefighters at the incident.
- A COMU is a Command Unit and typically used to take a lead role at a larger incident, coordinating across multiple crews/appliances and potentially with other agencies.

In summary, the number and types of appliances at an incident of any given alarm level structure fire for this zone would be:

Alarm Level	Total Pump Appliances	Support units	Command Units
1	2	0	0
2	4	1	0
3	6	1	1
4	8	1	1
5	10	1	1

Not all the event types have 5 alarm levels. We do not dispatch any other organisations resources or direct them to incidents. We do make numerous notifications either advising them of or asking for other organisations attendance at certain incidents.

The 20 event types are:

Aircraft light	Aircraft heavy
Hazardous materials	Hazardous gas
Hazardous flammable liquids	Line Rescue
Medical	Medical First Response
Minor	Natural 1 (urgent)
Natural 2	Rescue
Ship	Sprinkler Activation
Structure fire	Vegetation fire
Motor Vehicle Crash	Motor Vehicle Crash Rescue
Motor Vehicle Crash Heavy	Water Rescue

We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email [officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz](mailto:officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz).

Nāku noa, nā



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