

Fire Brigades (Charges) Regulation 2000

under the

Fire Brigades Act 1989

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Fire Brigades Act 1989*.

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Explanatory note

This Regulation replaces the *Fire Brigades (Charges) Regulation 1995* which is repealed on 1 September 2000 under section 10 (2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*.

The new Regulation deals with the charges that may be imposed for attending hazardous materials incidents (these charges have been increased to take into account the GST payable in respect of such attendances) and for attendances arising from false alarms.

This Regulation is made under the *Fire Brigades Act 1989*, including sections 40, 42 and 85 (the general regulation-making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Fire Brigades (Charges) Regulation 2000.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 September 2000.*

Note. This Regulation replaces the *Fire Brigades (Charges) Regulation 2000* which is repealed on 1 September 2000 under section 10 (2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*.

3 Definition

(1) In this Regulation:

the Act means the Fire Brigades Act 1989.

(2) The explanatory note and notes in the text of this Regulation do not form part of this Regulation.

4 Charges for attending hazardous material incidents

For the purposes of section 40 (4A) of the Act, the maximum charges payable for services rendered by members of a fire brigade as described in that subsection are the charges set out in the Table to this clause.

^{*} The regulation (statutory rule) appointed 1 September 2000 as the date of its commencement. Pursuant to section 39 (2A) of the Interpretation Act 1987, the regulation is not invalid merely because the regulation was published in the Gazette after the day on which one or more of its provisions is or are expressed to take effect, but provides, in that case, for that or those provisions to take effect from the day on which it is published in the Gazette, instead of from the earlier day.

Table

For each chief superintendent and above	for each hour	\$91.30
For each other superintendent	for each hour	\$84.70
For each inspector	for each hour	\$64.90
For each station commander or captain	for each hour	\$53.90
For each firefighter	for each hour	\$48.40
For each standard pumper, salvage, rescue monitor, command vehicle or hazmat vehicle	for each hour	\$108.90
For each turntable ladder, hydraulic platform or Bronto skylift	for each hour	\$212.30
For each district truck	for each hour	\$36.30
For each station wagon	for each hour	\$17.60
For the use of each hose	for each hour	\$16.50
For the use of any material	Such amount as is certified by the Commissioner to be the cost to the Commissioner of the material plus 10% for handling costs	

One half of the charges specified is payable in respect of each half hour, or remaining part of a half hour, for which the officer or firefighter is in attendance, or the equipment is available for use, at the incident.

5 Charges for responding to false alarms

For the purposes of section 42 (1) (e) of the Act, \$250 is the charge for responding to a false alarm that:

- (a) resulted from any activation of the alarm except in the course of a test of which prior notice was given to a fire brigade officer and that the Commissioner is satisfied was properly carried out, and
- (b) is the second or further occasion of any such false alarm by the alarm during any period of 60 days.

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