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## Request:

Freedom of Information request - Operational roles 1986 - 2002.

I am writing to you in hope of your help with some research I'm struggling to find the information I'm after. I am looking to find out what the operational roles were titled between 1986 - 2002. For example was it leading firefighter or crew commander etc. I am looking for information from firefighter all the way to chief fire officer if possible and a small description of the day to day roles of the rank

## Response:

We do not hold information showing operational role titles between 1986 and 2002. However, please see below for information we hold on details of Operational ranks to roles. The first column is for pre-2005 and the second column details the new titles. The roles were then changed again in 2019.

Current title/term	Title/term to be used
Firefighter	Firefighter
Leading Firefighter	Crew Manager
Sub Officer	Watch Manager A*
Station Officer	Watch Manager B*
Assistant Divisional Officer	Station Manager
Divisional Officer II	Group Manager
Senior Divisional Officer	Area Manager B
Assistant Commissioner/ ACFO/Area Commander	Assistant Commissioner
Deputy Commissioner	Deputy Commissioner
Commissioner	Commissioner
Watch Commander	Watch Manager (A or B)
Area Manager	Area Manager (if equivalent to SDO) or Assistant Commissioner)
Divisional Commander	Area Manager or Group Manager
Officer in Charge or OIC	Crew or Watch Manager (can be either depending on context where term used n the order or instruction)

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