

**Freedom of Information request reference number:** 8571.1

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**Request:**

*What rota patterns do Group Commanders and above work in London please?*

*Also, how far out can staff be whilst on duty in distance/time etc?*

*Lastly, when do you think you will be recruiting GC's or above next please?*

**Response:**

The shift pattern for Group Commanders is a four week cycle as shown in the example below...

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Dark Purple	Dark Purple	Light Purple	Light Purple	Light Purple	Light Purple	Light Purple
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The dark purple shifts are 24 hours 08:00 -08:00, the remainder are 08:00-17:00.

During their stand down time 17:00-0800 on their 24 shift, they can respond from a point outside of London which is 30 minutes (at normal road speed) from one of five nominated points in the London area dependant on whether they are on a North or South Rota group.

The Brigade conducted recruitment rounds into Group Commander positions late last year and there is not yet any confirmation of when the next round of recruitment for this role will be. We would suggest that you check the London Fire Brigade [website](#) for updates on future recruitment rounds.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us>