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NEW GLOVES CONTRACT 2021

Key Message

The new contract for supply and delivery of firefighting and road crash rescue (RCR) gloves has commenced with three separate suppliers.

What's been happening?

The final gloves were selected after an extensive evaluation process and can be found at Appendix A (attached).

The structural firefighting glove was trialed extensively at the WAFES Academy and maintained operational integrity during 50 live fire burns and over 100 firefighting activities. It is fully synthetic (i.e. no leather), highly durable and is <u>not considered a</u> <u>consumable product</u>. The NUCOM for this glove will be uploaded to eAcademy shortly.

The RCR glove is a new addition to personal protective equipment. RCR qualified personnel are entitled to one pair each. Doctrine is in the process of being updated to reflect this.

What do I need to do?

Orders are to be placed through the Online Operational Store only. Please contact the suppliers via emails below for instructions on how to order:

Structural (Level 2) glove - Frontline Fire and Rescuesales@ffre.com.auWildland (Level 1) glove - Allglove Industriesallgloveindustries@gmail.comRCR glove -InterFire Agenciesorders@interfireagencies.com.au

Due to the higher durability of the Level 2 structural firefighting glove it is expected the initial provision will last several years. Your authorising officer must inspect your initial pair and approve the need to order a second pair on a fair wear and tear basis. Details of faulty gloves will need to be sent to Frontline Fire and Rescue for assessment.

Further information.

For assistance accessing each online ordering system please contact Len Ainslie, Category Manager, Strategic Procurement via <u>len.ainslie@dfes.wa.gov.au.</u>

For further information, please contact the Operational Research and Development branch via <u>ORD@dfes.wa.gov.au</u>.

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APPENDIX A

Structural (Level 2) – ESKA ARES	
Wildland (Level 1) – Firepro Wildfire	
RCR – Force 360 Graphex	

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