



OPERATIONAL CIRCULAR 20/2024

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FIREFIGHTERS WANTED: VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AS JAFFA SUPPORT OFFICERS

Key Message

The Juvenile and Family Fire Awareness (JAFFA) Program is looking for career and volunteer firefighters who are interested in becoming JAFFA Support Officers, to deliver fire safety education to young people involved in playing with or lighting fires. If you are passionate about fire safety and enjoy working with young people, this could be a perfect fit for you!

Applications for JAFFA Support Officers close at 10:00hrs Tuesday 30 April 2024.

What happened?

Are you an operational firefighter passionate about fire safety and dedicated to making a difference in your community?

Do you have experience talking to kids and teens?

Do you have a few spare hours a month to volunteer, especially over the high threat bushfire period?

If this sounds like you then we'd love you to join the JAFFA Program as a JAFFA Support Officer.

We are especially keen for you to join JAFFA if you live in the South East and South Coastal Metropolitan regions, or the Pilbara towns of Karratha and Port Hedland.

Your role as a JAFFA Support Officer includes:

- Contacting families to arrange education sessions.
- Teaching fire safety to kids aged 6 to 16 who have played with fire. You might do this at their home, school, or at the Youth Justice Service.
- Keeping notes during meetings with kids and families and writing detailed reports.
- Collaborating with kids, their families, other groups, and the program leader to make the JAFFA Program work.

All training will be provided and experienced JAFFA Support Officers are available to assist you start this role. Plus, you will feel good knowing you are helping kids and families learn about the risks of playing with fire.

What do I need to do?

Please download an Application Form located [here](#). Completed applications are to be sent to jaffa@dfes.wa.gov.au by 10:00hrs Tuesday 30 April 2024. Late applications will not be accepted.

Target Audience:				
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Your application is to be supported by two referees from the following list:

- Brigade Captain or Station Officer
- Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM)
- DFES Area Officer, District Officer, or Superintendent.

Want to know more?

For more information about the JAFFA Program, recruitment, or training, contact Ruth Noonan on 9395 9488 or email jaffa@dfes.wa.gov.au.

If you would like more information about the JAFFA Support Officer role, please call one of the following JAFFA Support Officers:

- John Landwehr, In Service Training Operational Delivery, 0438 944 935
- Tim Jury, Maddington CFRS, 0437 686 855
- Ben Symmons, Bullsbrook VFES, 0402 006 300
- Wayne Clark, Metro VFES, 0488 066 960

Being a JAFFA Support Officer is unpaid (including training). However, you will be reimbursed for using your car for JAFFA work. The JAFFA Program will also cover costs for training, such as travel, accommodation, and meals.

Key dates

- Telephone/Teams interviews will be held on **13 and 14 May 2024**.
- Mandatory 2-day training will be held at the Fire and Emergency Services Academy in Forrestfield on **13 and 14 June 2024**. Approvals to attend will be sought on your behalf after the selection process has been finalised.

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Target Audience: CFRS Staff				
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