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Interim change to PDA for high rise buildings

While the work led by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) into cladding on high rise buildings is ongoing, we have agreed as an interim measure, and in conjunction with the FBU, to change the pre-determined attendance (PDA) to any high rise buildings.

With immediate effect the PDA to any high rise building will include one aerial appliance and five pumps.

This will be subject to review when the DCLG work is complete.

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Further change to attendance at high rise buildings

The third in the government's series of fire safety tests of cladding and insulation combinations has been completed by the Building Research Establishment (BRE), see the link at the end of this message.

As a result of this work and following a meeting of the [Independent Expert Advisory Panel](#) which met yesterday, we have agreed as a further interim measure to increase the attendance to high rise residential building fires.

With immediate effect when Control receive multiple calls (four calls or above) to residential high rise buildings the attendance will include a full eight pump fire attendance including an aerial appliance.

Where fire is reported to Control as being on the outside of cladded buildings itself, the attendance will include a full 10 pump fire attendance and one aerial appliance.

A reminder that the initial incident commander should make an assessment of the incident and at the earliest opportunity confirm the resource requirements on scene, making up the incident if required. If the additional resources are not required, a coded stop or informative message detailing the incident status should be sent and appliances not required should be released/returned as soon as possible from the incident.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/further-results-published-from-governments-fire-testing-programme>

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