



Freedom of Information Request FOI 26 09

The use of AFFF and fluorinated fire-fighting foams

Query and response:

Please provide the following information, insofar as it is held:

1. *Whether your Service has ever used AFFF or other fluorinated fire-fighting foams (including PFAS-containing foams), and if so, the approximate dates of use.*

AFFF/AFFFP foam has been used sector wide for class B fires from approximately the 1980s, and we used it as a Service until 2022.

2. *The types or product names of any such foams used, where recorded.*

We predominantly used the following products, which were manufactured by Angus Fire Ltd:

- Alcoseal
- FP70
- FP600
- FP570
- Niagara

Some of the more modern versions of these foams, from approximately 2015 were manufactured without PFAS.

3. *Any policies, guidance, or risk assessments held relating to the use, storage, disposal, or environmental impact of these foams.*

Please see attached. Our guidance and risk assessments are based on manufacturers data sheets, which are readily available in the public domain.

Storage as directed by risk assessment in self-contained bunded store with provision to manage spillages. Upon disposal of these products certified incineration was used as recommended by EU commission regulation and manufacturers.

4. *The date (or approximate period) when your Service first became aware of potential environmental or health risks associated with AFFF or fluorinated fire-fighting foams.*

We first became aware of the risks in 2021, with work beginning soon after to facilitate transition and disposal.

5. *Whether your Service has ceased using AFFF or fluorinated foams, and if so, when and why.*



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We still have a AFFF (now ARFFF) class B provision in service, but this foam is fully synthetic to comply with 2024 & 2025 updated directives and no longer contain PFAS/PFOA or POP compounds.

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