

media release

SA Metropolitan Fire Service



Regional MFS stations receive awards

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Five Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) stations have received awards at the conclusion of the organisation's 2018 regional proficiency and safety audit.

All 16 regional MFS stations participated in the annual assessment process, which gives retained firefighters the opportunity to showcase their skills, community spirit and commitment to public safety.

The results of the **2018 Regional Operations Audit and Proficiency Assessment** are:

Assessment Result	Station Awarded	Award Name
<i>First Place</i>	<i>Victor Harbor MFS Station</i>	<i>Chief Officer's Shield</i>
<i>Second Place</i>	<i>Berri MFS Station</i>	<i>Regional Command Shield</i>
<i>Third Place</i>	<i>Port Lincoln MFS Station</i>	<i>Regional Assistant Chief Officer's Shield</i>
<i>Most Improved</i>	<i>Kadina MFS Station</i>	<i>Most Improved Shield</i>
<i>Family Friendly</i>	<i>Kapunda MFS Station</i>	<i>Family Friendly Regional Station*</i>

- *The Family Friendly Regional Station Award is presented by the SA Branch of the United Firefighters Union.*

MFS Assistant Chief Fire Officer (ACFO) of Regional Operations, Phil Kilsby commended the hard work and commitment demonstrated by all retained MFS firefighters during station assessments.

"Congratulations to the five stations receiving awards; I know how hard they, and all the retained stations, worked to prepare their station and equipment to the highest standard."

"It becomes more difficult each year to select the five stations to receive awards due to the outstanding efforts of all MFS regional stations."

"Each regional station went to exceptional efforts in preparing for their assessments, including station preparation and regular practise of the training drills and equipment checks." MFS ACFO Kilsby said.

MFS retained (part-time) firefighters are valuable members of their communities. They respond to emergency incidents to protect the community, local businesses and the major infrastructure in towns and cities across regional South Australia.

Retained MFS firefighters from the following regional MFS stations participated in the assessment process:

Kapunda, Peterborough, Murray Bridge, Wallaroo, Victor Harbor, Tanunda, Kadina, Whyalla, Pt Augusta, Pt Pirie, Moonta, Berri, Pt Lincoln, Mt Gambier, Renmark and Loxton MFS stations.

If members of the public are interested in becoming a Retained (part-time) MFS Firefighter in a regional area, they can visit the MFS website at: www.mfs.sa.gov.au and click on 'join us'.

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