



TASMANIA FIRE SERVICE

Volunteer Training – A Tasmanian Context!



The Travel Brochure!



- Smallest of all States
- Population 490,000
- Off the SE corner
- Capital in the South
 - *Founded in 1804*
 - *Extends both sides of the River Derwent*
 - *Second oldest city*
 - *Half in North the rest - 200,000 – in the South*
 - *Cleanest air in the world*
 - *Second lowest rainfall*
- Average Summer - 21°C
- Average Winter - 12°C ~

Our Resources



- **Brigades**
 - Four career only stations
 - Five career and volunteer stations
 - Total of 234 stations across the State
- **Training Centres**
 - North, North West and South
- **Fleet**
 - 480 operational appliances
 - 200 support vehicles ~



- Number of Career Staff
 - Firefighters - 305
 - Support - 133
- Number of Volunteers - 4720
 - Female - 800
 - Male - 3900
 - Average age - 46 to 55
 - South - 1920
 - North - 1700
 - North West – 1100 ~

Our Response



- Total number of incidents – 12,121
 - 5000 - False alarms
 - 1900 - Vegetation fires
 - 1370 - MVA/RCR
 - 750 - Vehicle fires
 - 700 - Structure fires ~

Volunteer Training



- Previous model
 - Unit focussed
 - System driven
 - Complicated
- New model
 - Based on volunteer feedback
 - More brigade involvement
 - Job role focussed
- Delivery
 - 3 District Officers
 - 9 Training Officers
 - Around 70 Volunteer Training Instructors ~

Volunteer Model



All Volunteers

**Volunteer Brigade
Induction**

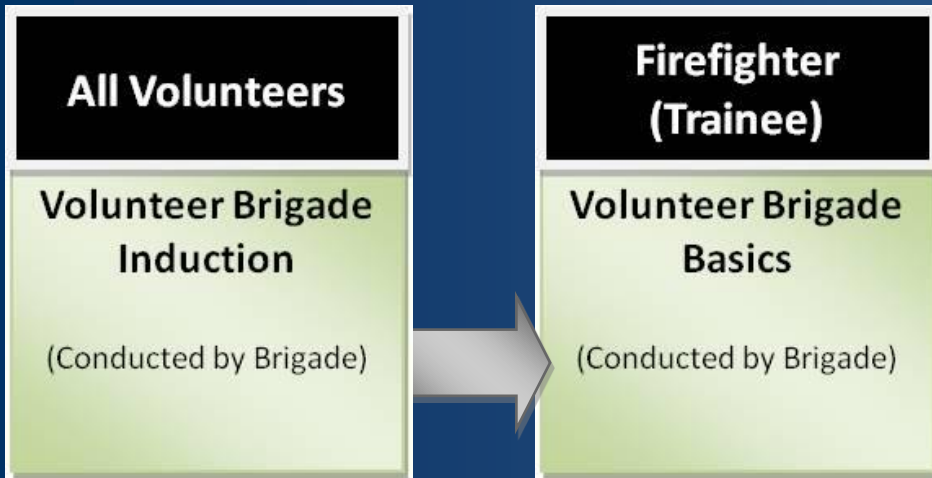
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Brigade Induction



- Organisational structure
- Values and Code of Conduct
- OH&S
- Your Brigade
- Brigade Vehicles
- SOP's
- Learning and Development

Volunteer Pathway

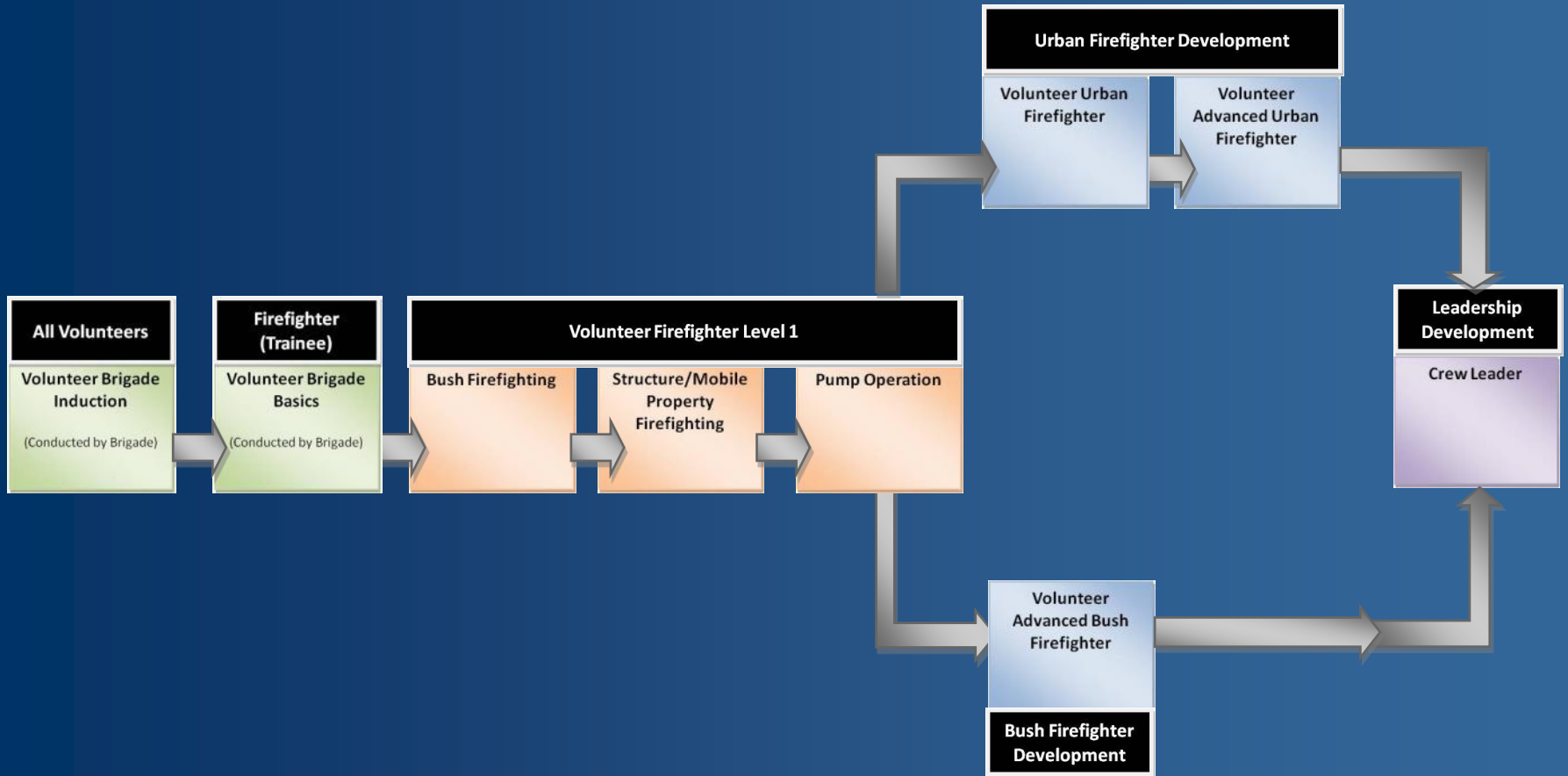


Brigade Basics



- Fireground safety
- Small gear, hose, branches and hydrants
- Ropes, knots and lines
- Ladders
- Theory of combustion
- Radio's
- Map reading
- Extinguishers
- Basic pump operation
- Team work

Volunteer Pathway





- What are other agencies doing?
 - How are you delivering and assessing?
 - What systems support your volunteers?
 - How do you provide “accredited” training?
 - How can we attract volunteers to training?
 - Suggestions? ~

Any questions?

