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<p>Please find below a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">What is the number of vehicles is owned by your organisation (vehicle fleets both directly managed by the organisation or by an external organisation)? Number of Vehicles Owned – 297 Number of Vehicles Leased – 150What are the types of vehicle owned by your organisation (e.g. car, small delivery van, larger delivery vehicle, 4x4, special purpose vehicle etc.)? Types – Car / Van / 4x4 / Specialist Vehicles / 6x6 All Terrain /Is there a minimum tread depth at which tyres must be replaced? This might be at a tread depth greater than the 1.6mm legal minimum or it might be that drivers are reminded of the legal minimum. Non Operational 1.6mm Operational 3mmIf an instruction is not in place, is there advice or guidance given and if so, what is that guidance? An instruction is in place – A and B Routine checks are carried out daily by crews – Tyre depths are checked with a depth gauge and Fleet are informed when depths reach the minimum level.If the organisation has vehicles that provide an emergency response and/or have to contend with specific conditions, e.g. sometimes operate off-road, as well as vehicles involved in routine journeys, please provide details if there a variance between the instruction and/or advice given. There is no deviance for specific journeys other than a Large Animal Rescue Unimog with on-board variable tyre pressure systems selecting a low pressure for Mud / Snow conditions.			

- **If some or all of the vehicles used for a work purpose are managed by an external provider, please detail whether the policy on tyre replacement is that of your organisation or something in place from that provider.**

No vehicles are managed by external providers.

- **Please provide details of any related instructions and/or guidance related to tyres - for example (though not exhaustive) how regularly tyre checks (tread, wear, inflation, damage) should happen? whether winter tyres and summer tyres are used during the appropriate seasons? and so on.**

SWFRS do not use Winter Tyres – Snow Chain Systems are employed, Light 4x4 Appliances are fitted with Mud / Snow tyres year round.

- **Please provide details if tyres used on vehicles for a work purpose have to be from an identified list of manufacturers or might be recommended to be from an identified list of manufacturers or whether there is more general guidance, e.g. 'only premium tyres should be fitted' or 'budget tyres are not advised'. Please provide this information covering vehicles that might be directly managed or managed by an external provider or in the circumstance of a private vehicle being used for a work purpose - identifying any variance on the requirement or advice in every instance.**

Blue Light Vehicles remain on the tyres they are supplied with having undergone JCDD or VCA Tilt testing.

Non Operational Vehicles can see a different marque tyre fitted which is dependent on supplier stock.

There is no stipulation on tyres for Grey Fleet usage.