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Please ask for:** Information Governance  
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**Our ref:** IG000014

**Dyddiad/Date:** 30/12/2019

## RE: Request for Information held by SWFRS

Your request ref: IG000014 has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked us:

*Could you give statistics for musco-skeletal industrial injuries within SWFRS. Particularly those requiring surgery, the cost and the average time frame from injury to return to work.*

Our response:

1. How many work related MSK injuries i.e. injuries on duty in 2018/19 – **13 injuries on duty occurred in 2018/19**
2. How many had surgery paid for by the Service in 2018/19 – **Of the 13 injuries on duty only 1 resulted in surgery paid for the Service**
3. The cost of the MSK surgery paid for by the Service in 2018/19 - **Cost of surgery £2695**
4. Average timeframe from injury on duty to return to operational duty – **Average 15.4 days for the 12 injuries on duty not requiring surgery, 144 days for the one injury on duty requiring surgery.**

If you have any queries regarding your Freedom of Information request, please contact us at [Dataprotection@southwales-fire.gov.uk](mailto:Dataprotection@southwales-fire.gov.uk) quoting the reference number above in any future communication.

If you are dissatisfied with the way that your information request has been handled, you can request an internal review by writing to:

Information Governance and Compliance Officer  
South Wales Fire and Rescue Service  
Forest View Business Park  
Llantrisant  
CF72 8LX



If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office-Wales,  
2nd Floor,  
Churchill House,  
Churchill Way,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 2HH.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours Faithfully

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*We welcome correspondence in Welsh and English - we will respond equally to both and will reply in your language of choice without delay.*

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