

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 9th MARCH 2010**

**Question**

Which States of Jersey Fire Service employees, if any, are issued with mobile phones?

Would the Minister advise whether additional payments are made to any persons supplied with mobile phones to cover 'personal telephone costs' and whether these payments are also extended to secretaries, store men, and other staff? (Please list job titles of all persons that receive a payment, together with the payment amount)

**Answer**

Under a States of Jersey approved contract the Fire and Rescue Service has issued 20 mobile phones within the department. 19 are held by specific operational personnel:

- 1 Chief Fire Officer
- 1 Deputy Chief Fire Officer
- 1 Area Manager
- 2 Group Managers
- 6 Station Managers (1 Retained)
- 4 Watch Managers (1 Retained)
- 3 Crew Managers
- 1 Emergency Response Firefighter

The remaining unit has been allocated to the Service's Operational Support Officer.

The mobile phones should only be used for communication involving work related matters (e.g. Officers contacting clients or Fire Service Headquarters whilst away from the office and Duty Managers whose roles dictate it is essential they have the ability to maintain immediate contact with appropriate personnel.) These Operational staff also are on the 24/7 roster for Operational Support, Bronze, Silver and Gold Commander roles.

Of the 20 individuals who have been issued with mobile phones, under current policy, 17 receive a telephone allowance (relating to landline / handset rental) varying from £25.50 to £32.70 per quarter

1 Area Manager	£32.70
2 Group Managers	£32.70
4 Station Managers (1 Retained)	£32.70
2 Station Managers	£30.09
3 Watch Managers	£32.70
1 Retained Watch Manager	£30.09
2 Crew Managers	£30.09
1 Crew Manager	£25.50
1 Emergency Response Firefighter	£30.09

An additional 62 operational personnel also receive such payments. This is to facilitate off duty contact in the event of a large incident requiring recall to duty.