

Meal breaks of day-shift and night-shift ambulancemen in 2013

(1) Information on meal breaks of day-shift ambulancemen

Operational division under the Ambulance Command	(i) Average no. of ambulances on-call per shift per day (on a duty basis)	(ii) Total no. of ambulance shifts in the year (on a duty basis)	(iii) No. of ambulance calls in the year (including emergency calls and hospital transfer calls)	(iv) No. of emergency ambulance calls in the year	(v) Average no. of ambulance calls per ambulance per shift (Note 1)	(vi) Average no. of emergency ambulance calls per ambulance per shift (Note 2)	(vii) Percentage of ambulancemen having a continuous 30-minute meal break during the designated period (Note 3)	(viii) Percentage of ambulancemen having compensatory meal break after the designated period (Note 4)	(ix) Daily quota for compensatory meal break during 1 pm to 2 pm (No. of ambulances)	(x) Average no. of ambulances using compensatory meal break during 1 pm to 2 pm per day
Hong Kong Division	43	15 615	84 298	76 455	5.4	4.9	82.0%	12.7%	4	3.1
Kowloon East Division	44	15 947	95 486	91 929	6.0	5.8	78.3%	15.6%	4	3.5
Kowloon West Division	35	12 953	85 776	78 511	6.6	6.1	85.2%	6.5%	3	1.4
New Territories South Division	51	18 725	89 921	84 245	4.8	4.5	88.0%	7.9%	4	2.2
New Territories North Division	61	22 172	112 001	100 851	5.1	4.6	89.9%	5.8%	4	2.5
Overall	234	85 412	467 482	431 991	5.5	5.1	85.1%	9.5%	19	12.7

(2) Information on meal breaks of night-shift ambulancemen

Operational division under the Ambulance Command	(i) Average no. of ambulances on-call per shift per day (on a duty basis)	(ii) Total no. of ambulance shifts in the year (on a duty basis)	(iii) No. of ambulance calls in the year (including emergency calls and hospital transfer calls)	(iv) No. of emergency ambulance calls in the year	(v) Average no. of ambulance calls per ambulance per shift (Note 1)	(vi) Average no. of emergency ambulance calls per ambulance per shift (Note 2)	(vii) Percentage of ambulancemen having a continuous 30-minute meal break during the designated period (Note 3)	(viii) Percentage of ambulancemen having compensatory meal break after the designated period (Note 4)	(ix) Daily quota for compensatory meal break during 3 am to 4:30 am (No. of ambulances)	(x) Average no. of ambulances using compensatory meal break during 3 am to 4:30 am per day
Hong Kong Division	21	7 826	43 216	40 658	5.5	5.2	96.0%	1.2%	1	0.2
Kowloon East Division	21	7 467	51 602	51 369	6.9	6.9	93.1%	2.6%	1	0.5
Kowloon West Division	16	5 861	45 354	44 868	7.7	7.7	95.3%	0.9%	1	0.2
New Territories South Division	27	9 836	49 038	48 264	5.0	4.9	95.4%	2.3%	1	0.6
New Territories North Division	29	10 568	62 454	58 274	5.9	5.5	96.5%	0.8%	1	0.2
Overall	114	41 558	251 664	243 433	6.1	5.9	95.4%	1.5%	5	1.7

Note 1: Derived by dividing (iii) No. of ambulance calls in the year by (ii) Total no. of ambulance duty shifts in the year.

Note 2: Derived by dividing (iv) No. of emergency ambulance calls in the year by (ii) Total no. of ambulance duty shifts in the year.

Note 3: FSD cannot break down the respective figures of “ambulancemen who had a continuous 30-minute for their first meal” and “ambulancemen who had their first meal interrupted but subsequently had a continuous 30-minute meal break”.

Note 4: FSD advises that although some ambulancemen could not have a continuous 30-minute meal break, they chose not to seek compensatory meal break voluntarily.