

The time generally required for fire vessels to arrive at the typhoon shelters or bays within their main service areas from their respective berths (in minutes)#

Fire vessel Berth	Fireboat								Fire Speedboat
	1	2*	3	4	5	6*	7*	8	
Typhoon shelter / bay	Central Fireboat Station	North Point Fireboat Station	Cheung Chau Fireboat Station	Aberdeen Fireboat Station	Tuen Mun Fireboat Station	Tsing Yi Fireboat Station	Airport Rescue Boat Berth	North Point Fireboat Station	/
Aberdeen West Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	1.5	/	/	/	/	19
Aberdeen South Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	6	/	/	/	/	25
Causeway Bay Typhoon Shelter	10	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	12
Cheung Chau Typhoon Shelter	/	/	3	/	/	/	/	/	29
Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	7	17
New Yau Ma Tei Typhoon Shelter	20	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	3.5
Sam Ka Tsuen Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	7	16
Shau Kei Wan Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	8	16
To Kwa Wan Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	8	12
Tuen Mun Typhoon Shelter	/	/	/	/	15	/	/	/	13
Yim Tin Tsai Typhoon Shelter, Sai Kung	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	45	20
Tai O	/	/	/	/	46	/	/	/	5
River trade terminal (Tuen Mun)	/	/	/	/	10	/	/	/	8
Chai Wan Public Cargo Working Area	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	12	19
Cafeteria Beach, Tuen Mun	/	/	/	/	15	/	/	/	12

Note: # The actual time taken for fire vessels to arrive on the scene of marine fire is affected by various factors, for example, the location of relevant vessels at the time of call, whether the vessels are engaged in other operations (including participation in regular navigation training, exercise and inspection, or handling other emergency incidents); the marine traffic at the time; waves and tides; visibility, etc. As such, the response time varies on each occasion. In general, when the Fire Services Department (FSD) receives a call of marine fire incident, it will deploy, apart from fire speedboats, at least two fireboats which are nearest to the incident scene for operation. In addition, the nearby on-shore fire stations will deploy fire appliances to provide speedy support.

* Fireboats No. 2 and No. 7 are currently deployed at North Point Fireboat Station and Airport Rescue Boat Berth respectively. They do not have specific service areas. FSD would deploy them to different areas of Hong Kong waters for operation according to the operational needs. Fireboat No. 6 is deployed at Tsing Yi Fireboat Station and is responsible for waters near Tsing Yi and Ma Wan, including oil terminals, oil tanker berths and dockyards, etc. in Tsing Yi. The typhoon shelter and bays listed above are not within its service area. In addition, FSD has two command boats deployed at the Airport Rescue Boat Berths. They are dedicated to handle incidents happened in the waters near the airport.