

Group Manager checklist at end of term - Volunteer Brigade Leader

Potential renewal or non-renewal of a Volunteer Brigade Leader term

When to useThis document is for the Group Manager to use 6-months before the end of term.
Work through this list when undertaking the renewal process and before escalating
concerns about renewing the Volunteer Brigade Leader for another 5-year term to
the District Manager.

This will always be a particularly sensitive process and the appropriate support and respect must always be given to the Volunteer Brigade Leader. Maintain frequent and valuable communication with the Volunteer Brigade Leader throughout.

1. Gather as much of the following documentation as possible to make intelligence-led, evidence-based decisions about recommendations for Volunteer Brigade Leader next steps:

Checklist item	Yes	No
Appointment letter and agreement (If Risk Management Plan/conditions of appointment were implemented).		
Support and Development plans and annual conversation records and evidence of successful development (course completion, course enrolment, initiative success information etc)		
Volunteer Brigade Dashboard/OSM		
Brigade Health Survey results		
FENZ "Your Say" survey results		
Brigade goals and business/development plan		
OER Audit results (If within last 2 years)		
Annual operational readiness audit / quarterly checks		
Community feedback (where provided)		
Other relevant documentation		

2. Are there any concerns the Group Manager has that are potentially preventing them from renewing the Volunteer Brigade Leader for another term? Consider:

Checklist item	Yes	No
Has the Group Manager provided the Volunteer Brigade Leader with regular and effective Support and Development over the course of their term? Ensure this is evidenced in the support and development documentation.		
Have any concerns been previously discussed with the Volunteer Brigade Leader during their term to date and solutions agreed and acted upon?		

Checklist item	Yes	No
Are there factors outside of the Volunteer Brigade leader's control contributing to the Group Manager's concerns?		
Are there other potential leadership succession options within the brigade?		

3. Consider the critical question:

Checklist item	Yes	No
Can further <u>Volunteer Brigade Leader Annual Support and Development</u> be offered that would address these concerns?	□Go to 4	🗆 Go to 5

4. If yes, initiate/consider the following:

Checklist item	Yes	No
Have an open discussion with the Volunteer Brigade Leader around Group Manager concerns and reasons and consider any contributing factors.		
Collaborate on further support and development planning to address these concerns.		
Consider a reduced term (maximum of 5 years) to allow time for the support and development to be implemented or further decision timeframes if not achieving the desired result.		
Achieve effective collaboration with the Volunteer Brigade Leader to ensure both parties are acting in the best interests of the Volunteer Brigade Leader and the Brigade.		
Complete the renewal documentation and update the support and development plan		

5. If no, initiate the following:

Checklist item	Yes	No
Group Manager discusses evidence with District Manager and People Business Partner, and informs them of the Group Manager recommendation and next steps.		
Have an open discussion with the Volunteer Brigade Leader around concerns and reasons for the Group Manager recommendation (<i>i.e. Non-Renewal</i>) and consider any contributing factors. Explain the next steps in the process.		
Complete the required documentation for the District Manager and the Volunteer Brigade Leader as per the <u>Volunteer Brigade Leader Non-Renewal</u> guideline.		

Consultation Links

QR Code and link to feedback survey:



Link: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/24fknismHp</u> Or email <u>EkeTaumata@fireandemergency.nz</u> to place feedback.

See other guidelines and supporting documents:

Recruit for a Volunteer Brigade Leader

Volunteer Brigade Leader Annual Support and Development

Volunteer Brigade Leader Renewal

Volunteer Brigade Leader Non-Renewal

Core selection criteria - Volunteer Brigade Leader

Volunteer Brigade Leader position description

Deputy Volunteer Brigade Leader position description

12-month support and development plan - Volunteer Brigade Leader

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Brigade feedback on shortlist applicants:

Option 1 - Using core selection criteria Option 2 - Values alignment Option 3 - Current process