

What is the National Fire Cadets Scheme?

- Fire Cadets is a nationally recognised educational programme open to young people aged from 14 to 17 years old
- it supports young people to make a positive contribution to society
- it provides an opportunity to learn about, engage with and experience the fire and rescue service
- it enables young people to gain skills, knowledge and positive experiences in a fun, safe and secure environment
- it supports young people to develop life skills, increase confidence and raise self-esteem
- it inspires young people to make positive life choices for their future



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If you have what it takes why not join us as a fire cadet or if you are over the age of 18 as a volunteer cadet instructor

For more information please email:

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Fire Cadets

As a Fire Cadet, what will I do?

As a fire cadet you will be treated as a young firefighter. You will be given your own uniform and will be expected to attend a weekly drill night that lasts 2 hours.

Here you will learn many of the skills of a firefighter and work towards some awards while having fun and making new friends. You will be expected to show a certain amount of discipline and commitment, just like a firefighter.

How often do Fire Cadets meet?

Once a week for 2 hours.

How much does it cost?

It is free.

What will I get out of it?

Fire Cadets will provide you with many skills, including:

- Working as part of a team
- problem solving and communication
- life skills
- Confidence building

Fire cadets also have the opportunity to gain many awards and qualifications like:

- Cadet Firefighter Award
- Duke of Edinburgh
- First Aid
- Young Leaders in Action

Where do Fire Cadets meet?

We have 5 cadet units in Hertfordshire, you will join one of these;

- **Royston**
- **Stevenage**
- **Cheshunt**
- **St Albans**
- **Watford**



Who runs the Fire Cadets?

Whilst many of our Instructors are firefighters, a large number come from a wide variety of diverse backgrounds.

Our team are all specifically recruited Fire Cadet Instructors.

You may also get an opportunity to stay on with a cadet unit and become a Junior Instructor, with the further opportunity to become a Volunteer Cadet Instructor after the age of 18 years old