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Any communication on the subject of this letter should be addressed to :—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
HOME OFFICE, (FIRE BRIGADES DIVISION),
CLELAND HOUSE,
PAGE STREET,
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and the following number quoted :—

HOME OFFICE,
CLELAND HOUSE,
PAGE STREET,
LONDON, S.W.1.

25th June, 1940.

GEN.319/1.

Sir,

ENROLMENT OF WHOLE-TIME AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE PERSONNEL.
F.B.Circular No. 80/1940.

I am directed by the Minister of Home Security to refer to the arrangements outlined in Annexure B to F.B. Circular No.81/1940 dated 20th June, 1940, concerning the enrolment of men of 50 years of age and over for whole-time service in the Auxiliary Fire Service, and to append a specimen of the formal direction which requires to be completed in respect of any man enrolled under these arrangements.

Applicants for enrolment under these arrangements will be required to complete the usual application (Form E.D.60), which should be taken to the local office of the Ministry of Labour and National Service at which the men registered (or to the nearest local office) for scrutiny in order to verify that they are not already in a reserved occupation.

When a man who has registered under the National Service (Armed Forces) Act, 1939, has been medically examined and finally accepted for whole-time duty in the Auxiliary Fire Service under these arrangements, it is necessary (1) to notify the Allocation Local Office of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, so that that office does not post him for military service, and (2) to arrange for the issue of the formal direction, by any local office of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, that the man should perform service as a member of the Auxiliary Fire Service.

As regards (1), the man's name, address and registration number - as shown on his Certificate of Registration (postcard) N.S.2 - should be notified to the Allocation Local Office of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, the address of which is given on the N.S.2.

As regards (2), the formal direction should be completed, in duplicate, by the addition of the name and address of the man concerned and the name of the Fire Brigade to which he will be attached, and forwarded, for signature, to any local office (not necessarily the Allocation Local Office)

The Clerk of the London County Council,
The Town Clerk,
The Clerk of the District Council,

of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, together with a covering letter, which should be signed by a responsible Officer of the fire authority, setting out the name and address of the man (or men) concerned. This letter is necessary so that the National Service Officer may know that he is in order in giving the direction. After signature by the National Service Officer one copy of the direction will be returned to the fire authority for issue to the man to whom it relates.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Issued to all Fire authorities in England and Wales.

Copies sent for information to Chief Officers of Fire Brigades and Chief Constables in England and Wales.

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MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE.

..... Local Office.

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To.....

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In pursuance of Regulation 58A of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, I, the undersigned, having been duly authorised in writing by the Minister of Labour and National Service, do hereby, on his behalf, direct you to perform service as a member of the Auxiliary Fire Service attached to the .... Fire Brigade.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 1940.

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National Service Officer.