Wales Fire and Rescue Service





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Title:	Firefighters' Pension Schemes (Wales) - Revised Consolidated Factor Guidance 2023 – Added Pension, Continual Progression Development Factors				

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Summary

This circular withdraws and replaces W-FRSC(2023)11 and provides updated implementation guidance in relation to:

Firefighters' Pension Schemes (Wales) - Revised Consolidated Factor Guidance – Batch 4: -

- Added Pension x-701 to x-702,
- 2007 scheme purchase of increased benefits x-703 to x-704 (factors withdrawn)
- Continual Progression Development x-801 (factors withdrawn)

This circular requires immediate action.

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Introduction

- Welsh Government issued a circular (W-FRSC(2023)11) on 28 September 2023, regarding Firefighters' Pension Schemes (Wales) - Revised Consolidated Factor Guidance – Batch 4. Circular W-FRSC(2023)11 advised an implementation date of the 27 September 2023.
- 2. Heywood Pensions Technology has since requested the implementation date be amended from the **27 September** to the **28 September** in order for implementation dates to align across Wales and England.
- 3. Scheme administrators and managers were of the amended date via email on the 29 September 2023.

Implementation

- 4. Factor Tables x-701 to x-702 (Added Pension) –2015 scheme: to be implemented immediately with effect from the **28 September 2023**
- 5. Factor Tables x-703 to x-704 (2007 scheme purchase of increased benefits factors) Withdrawn with immediate effect from **28 September 2023**.
- 6. Factor Table x-801 (CPD Factors) Withdrawn with immediate effect from **28 September 2023**.

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