

## Berlin Brandenburg Airport Fire Brigade Factsheet

- Berlin Brandenburg Willy Brandt Airport has three fire stations.
- The fire stations are manned 24/7: a 24-hour service by the firefighters is divided into eight-hour shifts, eight hours of standby time at the workplace and eight hours of rest at the workplace.
- 295 colleagues work for the airport fire brigade at Berlin Brandenburg Airport Willy Brandt. Of these, 270 are in emergency services and 25 are in administration. In addition to many colleagues, five colleagues also work in the fire service.
- The employees in the airport fire brigade work in three watches. A watch has three 24-hour shifts and then four days off. Example: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 24-hour service - Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday off. Then again on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday 24-hour service - and so on. This watch model allows shifts to be planned years in advance.
- The airport fire brigade is still looking for reinforcements and currently has 18 positions available in emergency service and six for vocational training. The requirements for employment are good health, fitness and technical skills.
- Applications for training at the airport fire brigade or firefighting positions can be submitted to the career portal: [karriere.berlin-airport.de](https://karriere.berlin-airport.de).
- After 2.5 years of service, trained firefighters receive a gross salary of around EUR 3,000.00 plus an allowance of 14 percent of the basic salary for services on Sundays and public holidays as well as other night work supplements. Depending on the apprenticeship year, an apprenticeship allowance of between EUR 1,009.20 and EUR 1,119.33 is paid during the apprenticeship. Apprentices receive a guarantee that they will be taken on if they perform well.
- The airport has over 65,000 fire detectors. Alarms are always received in the control centre, which is also manned 24/7. From there, the required fire stations are alerted.
- The airport fire brigade has a modern fleet of twelve airfield fire engines (FLF) for aircraft fire protection. Of these, eight vehicles are in regular service. Each unit costs around 1 to 1.2 million euros.
- For building fire protection, the airport fire brigade has an additional five emergency fire engines.
- Other vehicles at the airport fire brigade: command vehicles, aerial rescue vehicles (rotating ladder), various roll-off containers (including versions for fighting tunnel fires and disposing of hazardous materials). In total, the airport fire brigade's vehicle fleet comprises around 65 vehicles as well as 30 trailers and roll-off containers.