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Dear Alex Harris

I refer to your email of 22 July 2026 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

** a list of all current Defence Force Orders, including their title, date of issue, and date they were last updated.*

Enclosed is a list of the Defence Force Orders (DFOs) active as at the date of your request. Details regarding the date of issue and/or the date last updated is not available for three of the DFOs. This is because that information is no longer available.

Information regarding a DFO pertaining to operational matters is withheld under section 6(a) of the OIA, as the release of this information would likely prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that responses to official information requests are proactively released where possible. This response to your request will be published shortly on the NZDF website.

Yours sincerely

GA Motley

Brigadier

Chief of Staff HQNZDF

Enclosure:

1. List of active DFOs as at 22 July 2026

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Number	Title	Date of Issue	Date Last Updated
DFO 1	Defence Force Orders for NZDF Administration	23-Feb-95	26-Sept-23
DFO 3	New Zealand Defence Force Human Resource Manual	13-Dec-12	18-Jun-26
DFO 4	Defence Force Orders for Personnel Administration	18-Oct-05	22-Jun-26
DFO 5	Defence Force Orders for Entitlements to Pay, Allowances and Expenses	5-Sept-05	25-Jun-26
DFO 6	Defence Force Orders for Honours and Awards	24-Aug-17	6-Jun-25
DFO 9	Safety	5-Dec-24	5-Dec-24
DFO 16	Defence Force Orders for Civil Staff Human Resource Policy and Administration	2-Apr-07	30-Apr-25
DFO 18	Defence Force Orders for Defence Health	26-Aug-20	26-Aug-20
DFO 20	Defence Security	1-Dec-21	18-Jun-26
DFO 21	Defence Intelligence	21-Mar-22	21-Mar-22
DFO 30	Defence Force Orders for Joint Operations	28-Aug-18	4-Dec-18
DFO 34	New Zealand Defence Force Fire and Emergency Operations	25-Jan-24	25-Jan-24
DFO 35	New Zealand Defence Force Response to Civilian Harm	20-Nov-20	21-Jan-21
DFO 41	Safe Management of Hazardous Substances	5-Jul-18	21-Mar-22
DFO 50	Standard Operating Procedures for Explosives Ordnance Disposal in Support of Civil Authorities	27-Aug-02	31-Jan-13
DFO 51 Volume 1	Defence Force Orders for Security, Volume 1 Protective Security	14-Jan-05	31-Jul-13
DFO 51 Volume 4	Defence Force Orders for Security Volume 4 Information Systems Security	21-Jan-10	24-Oct-23
DFO 51 Volume 5	Communications Security		
DFO 52 Volume 2	Defence Force Orders for Procurement	3-Mar-15	20-Feb-20
DFO 54	Defence Force Orders for Sport	2003	14-Oct-19
DFO 55 Volume 1	Defence Force Orders for Information Systems: Policy Interfaces and Standards	23-Nov-90	23-Nov-90
DFO 60	Management of the Defence Information Environment	7-Jul-22	7-Jul-22
DFO 67	Defence Force Orders for the Mutual Assistance Programme	9-Jun-05	9-May-07
DFO 68	Defence Force Orders for the Operation of Detention Quarters in New Zealand	15-Apr-16	22-Jun-26
DFO 70	Defence Force Orders for Official Information	22-Feb-96	5-Jul-23
DFO 081	Risk Management	7-Aug-19	7-Aug-19
DFO 90	Financial Management	6-Aug-19	6-Aug-19
DFO 91 Volume 1	Defence Force Orders for Joint Service and Combined Plans		16-May-14
DFO 93	New Zealand Defence Force Non-public Funds	13-Aug-21	30-Sept-21
DFO 101	Defence Force Orders for Communications and Information Systems	13-Jul-05	22-Feb-22
DFO 102	Defence Force Orders for Use of NZDF Communications and Information Systems	28-Apr-09	31-May-11
DFO 105	Defence Force Orders for Electronic Key Management Systems	7-Sept-12	25-May-20
DFO 106	Defence Force Orders for Communications Standing Orders and Plans	20-Feb-94	29-May-96
DFO 108	Defence Force Orders for Signal Preparation, Message Addresses and Indication Groups	29-Sept-04	29-Oct-20
DFO 113	Defence Force Orders for Protocol, Ceremonial and Related Matters		12-Sept-03