
Subject: Ban on white men becoming firefighters
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White men have been banned from fire brigade recruitment sessions because bosses want to hit their diversity targets.

Four out of five "open" days held by Avon Fire Service were restricted to women and ethnic minorities.

Avon's bosses insist their ban on white men is simply "positive action".

Where do we start here?

What a sad detour our society has taken. If the ban was on black men becoming firefighters everyone would see it for what it was: racism.

What's even sadder is how condescending this must seem to non-white firefighters who actually got the job based on their skills and experience.

Worst of all, when you have a job which involves saving the lives of the public, and responsibility for your crewmates, the idea of selecting the firefighters based on anything other than their suitability is insane.
