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Rookie firefighter Joshua Finn, 19, charged with lighting more than 20 fires on the Central Coast

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Joshua Finn. Picture: Instagram

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A ROOKIE firefighter has been charged with lighting more than 20 fires and is suspected of lighting dozens more on the Central Coast.

Joshua Finn, 19, is accused of lighting the fires in the Toukley, Norah Head and Canton Beach areas.

The part-time firefighter with the Toukley Fire and Rescue NSW Brigade was arrested by an Arson Squad strike force investigating more than 60 suspicious fires in bins and bushland over recent months.



Joshua Finn. Picture: Instagram

Source: News Corp Australia

He was charged on Thursday with 23 charges, including 11 counts of malicious damage by fire, 10 counts of intentionally cause fire and be reckless as to its spread and two counts of damage property by fire.

Finn was refused bail by police overnight but was freed on bail today in Wyong Local Court to reappear on December 17.

Strike Force Lyneham detectives said they expect to lay further charges.

A NSW Fire and Rescue spokeswoman said Finn had been suspended from duty.

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