

## **215 CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

### **PURPOSE:**

To define the various classifications of membership and duties each one performs within the Florence Township Fire Department.

### **SCOPE:**

This policy is applicable to all personnel.

### **CLASSIFICATIONS:**

**Active Firefighter** – A member who meets the membership requirements of Section 220, participates in emergency operations within the Florence Township Fire Department, has met the minimum training requirements as outlined in Section 310, and is permitted all privileges associated with that membership.

Active Firefighters shall:

1. Be issued appropriate PPE and a paging device as provided in Sections 255 and 405.
2. Be responsible for maintaining the minimum training and participation levels for the position in which they serve.
3. Be permitted to partake in physical activity of fire suppression and/or rescue, whether it may be inside or outside a building or structure.
4. Be permitted to don SCBA provided that they have been properly trained and fit tested.
5. Be permitted to operate all fire apparatus provided they meet the minimum requirements of section 315.
6. Be permitted to be a Fire Officer of the Florence Township Fire Department provided they meet minimum requirements of section 320.

**Trainee Firefighter** – A member who meets the membership requirements of Section 220, has limited participations in emergency operations within the Florence Township Fire Department, has met the minimum training requirements as outlined in Section 310, and is permitted all privileges associated with that membership.

Trainee Firefighters shall:

1. Be issued appropriate PPE and a paging device as provided in Sections 255 and 405.
2. Be responsible for maintaining the minimum training and participation levels for the position in which they serve.
3. Be permitted to partake in limited exterior fire suppression activities, not to include ventilation, ladder operations, or vehicle fire suppression.
4. Be permitted only to operate Personnel Transport Vehicles if they meet the minimum requirements as outlined in section 315.
5. Be permitted to perform support or fire police duties provided they have received the minimum training requirements.
6. Not be permitted to don SCBA except during training.
7. Not be permitted to enter hazardous or confined spaces.
8. Be permitted to ride, as a passenger, aboard fire apparatus providing that they do not displace a qualified firefighter.

Junior Firefighter – A member who meets the requirements of section 220, has very limited participation in emergency operations within the Florence Township Fire Department, and is permitted only those privileges associated with that membership.

Junior Firefighters shall:

1. Be issued appropriate PPE and a paging device (when available) as provided in Sections 255 and 405.
2. Be responsible for maintaining the minimum training and participation levels for the position in which they serve.
3. Be permitted to partake in limited exterior fire suppression activities, not to include ventilation, ladder operations, vehicle fire suppression or vehicle rescue and helicopter landing assignments.
4. Be permitted to ride, as a passenger, aboard fire apparatus, providing they do not displace a qualified firefighter or trainee.
5. Shall not be permitted to respond to emergency aboard fire apparatus outside the boundaries of Florence Township. This includes Mutual Aid cover assignments.
6. Not be permitted to operate any Fire Department Vehicle.
7. Not be permitted to don SCBA except during training.
8. Not be permitted to perform fire police duties.
9. Not be permitted to enter hazardous or confined spaces or environments.
10. Not be permitted to respond to any reported Hazardous Materials incidents or to any alarm to the Burlington County Landfill.
11. Not be permitted to respond to any alarm to the NJ Turnpike.

Fire Police – A member who meets the requirements of section 220, has limited participation in emergency operations within the Florence Township Fire Department, has meet the minimum training requirements as outlined in section 310, and is permitted only those privileges associated with that membership.

Fire Police shall:

1. Be issued PPE and a paging device as provided in sections 255 and 405.
2. Be responsible for maintaining the minimum participation levels for the position in which they serve.
3. Be permitted to participate in traffic control and scene security operations.
4. Be permitted to operate personal transport vehicles if they meet the minimum requirements as outlined in section 315.
5. Be permitted to be officers of the Florence Township Fire Police provided they meet the minimum training requirements.
6. Not be permitted to don SCBA unless they have been trained and fit tested.
7. Not be permitted to enter hazardous or confined spaces or environments unless they have been properly trained.

Auxiliary Member – A member who meets the requirements of section 220, has no participation in emergency operations within the Florence Township Fire Department, and is permitted only those privileges associated with that membership.

Auxiliary Members shall:

1. Not be issued PPE or a paging device unless approved by the Chief
2. Be permitted to respond to emergency incidents, when requested, for the purpose of providing refreshments to emergency service personnel.
3. Not be permitted to don SCBA.
4. Not be permitted to perform Fire Police duties.
5. Not be permitted to enter hazardous or confined spaces or environments.
6. Be permitted to operate personnel transport vehicles if they meet minimum requirements as outlined in section 315.
7. Be directed by the incident commander to a convenient non-hazardous area to establish support operations.