

Town of Oswego Fire District Organizational Statement

The Town of Oswego Fire District is located in the State of New York, County of Oswego, Town of Oswego. The Fire District was formed in 1984 as a fire district.

The Town of Oswego Fire District is organized to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Town of Oswego and surrounding areas. The District shall assist in any disaster, emergency or occasion for which it may be properly equipped and for which it is called by the proper authorities. Fire prevention education will be carried on to the extent that is practical.

The operational affairs shall be governed by the fire chief with assistance from the assistant chief's and line officers.

Membership of the Fire District is comprised of the following active membership which is divided into four categories: Active Firefighter/EMS/Fire Police, Active Firefighter with restrictions, Active – Support, Active – Probationary. There is a restriction to 55 active members set forth by the Fire Department By-laws

It is the commitment of this district to provide, to the best of our ability, a safe operation, prevent accidents, illness, fatality, and comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

Training for the district members will be held at least monthly. Additional training will be provided throughout the year in the form of New York State and regional training courses and seminars.

The chief or designee will establish and maintain a record keeping system for: injuries, deaths, exposure to toxic products, infectious disease, membership, personnel information and inventories as deemed necessary.

The District will operate utilizing the New York State law, Fire District policies and operational best practices developed and implemented by the Chief.

The Fire District will perform the following functions:

- Interior Firefighting
- Scene Support
- Rehabilitation
- Auto Extrication
- Wildland Firefighting
- Ice Rescue
- First Response EMS
- Fire Police/Traffic Control
- Hazardous Materials – Operations
- Confined Space – Awareness
- Search and Rescue

Annual OSHA and EMS Mandatory training will consist of the following:

General Hazard Recognition	30 minutes
Station Safety	30 minutes
Response Safety	45 minutes
Scene Safety	1 hour, 15 minutes
Protective clothing	1 hour
Respiratory Protection/SCBA	2 hours
Tool and equipment safety	1 hour
Recent developments in Fire Safety	1 hour
Bloodborne Pathogens	1 hour
TB/Infection control	1 hour
Right to Know	30 minutes
Hazmat Awareness	1 hour
Confined space awareness	1 hour

Additional training and length of service requirements for various positions and qualifications for apparatus drivers are outlined in the best practices and Fire Department by-Laws.

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