

# Waterloo Vol Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines

## **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM**

### **I SCOPE**

This standard establishes an occupational safety and health program for the Waterloo Vol. Fire Department. It was promulgated to:

- A. Provide a safe working environment for the members of the department.
- B. Satisfy the requirements of NFPA 1500, *Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program*.

### **II POLICY STATEMENT**

It shall be the policy of the department to operate at the highest possible level of safety and health for all its members. To this end, the department shall.

- A. Make every reasonable effort to provide a safe and healthy work environment.
- B. Give primary consideration to the prevention and reduction of accidents, injuries, and occupational illnesses.
- C. Take the appropriate corrective action to avoid repetitive occurrences of accidents.
- D. Provide training supervision, written procedures, program support, and review for all of its activities.

### **III RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. Safety and health is the responsibility of every member. Therefore, each member shall:

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1. Cooperate, participate and comply with all of the provisions of the occupational safety and health program.
  2. Promptly report acts and conditions that are unsafe or unhealthy and that pose a threat either to members or to others.
  3. Maintain a level of mental and physical fitness that enables the member to safely perform their assigned tasks.
- B. Supervisors shall be responsible for enforcing the requirements of the occupational safety and health program and for ensuring that each member under their command complies with the provisions of the occupational safety and health program.