

# Bedford County Fire Department

## Rules and Regulations

- It is mandatory that all firefighters keep an active status in the BCFD. Failure to do so will be grounds for removal of the firefighter from BCFD.
- A person volunteers to serve only once. That is when he/she applies for membership. After becoming a member he/she has an obligation to respond to all calls, take part in the training program and assist with station and equipment maintenance and fundraising.
- All firefighters shall attend scheduled meetings and training sessions unless excused by the District Chief. A minimum of 3 hours training per month is required. Any missed training sessions may be made up by scheduling with District Chief for make-up time or attending training at Station 1 during normal working hours. Any firefighter missing more than 4 training sessions in any 12 month period will be dropped from the roster.
- All firefighters will live within the boundaries of the responsibility area of the station to which they are assigned.
- All firefighters shall have a good reputation in the community; be dependable in carrying out their job or assignment to the best of their ability; be cooperative in working with others; have the ability to determine what has to be done and to do it.
- Absolutely no evidence of alcohol or drugs on any firefighter will be tolerated when performing the duties of BCFD or attending any special event.
- All firefighters will be in the age group of 18-65 and will be in good health with no physical limitations that would interfere with performance of duties.
- All firefighters are required to wear full turn-out gear when on the immediate fire ground or accident scene.
- The firefighter will exercise precautionary measures to avoid injuries to himself or others while in the performance of duty.
- All members will be responsible for the safekeeping and care of all BCFD property in their possession. Caution will be taken to avoid unnecessary damage to or loss of BCFD property. Firefighters shall not loan, sell, give away or take for their own use any property belonging to BCFD.
- All prospective firefighters will be screened by a committee composed of the officers of each BCFD station. All new firefighters will be placed on a 3 month probation before becoming an active member.
- All BCFD firefighters will serve under the command of the Chief Officer and Station 1 Captains.

- Any member still attending high school must maintain a C average or will be suspended until grade average is acceptable.
- No BCFD trucks will be used to fill swimming pools. The only exception to this will be dunking tanks or something similar for a fundraising event. Then it will be at the District Chief's discretion to do so or not.

I have read and understand the above statements.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_