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SUBJECT: Minimum Training Standards – Basic	**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 02/08/08
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PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is to establish minimum training standards for non-officer positions within Rappahannock County who join any companies after the effective date of this policy.

BACKGROUND: The concept of county-wide training standards have been discussed for several years. It is the intent of this policy to establish minimum training standards for non-officer positions.

DEFINITIONS:

1. Certified: Personnel who have received certification in state / national standards through an agency of authority.
2. Qualified: Personnel who have received training through a combination of courses, in-house delivery, and experience.
3. Non-Structural Member: Personnel who have joined an organization and do not possess the required minimum training for structural activities. These personnel are capable of participating in a ride-a-long capacity on an emergency incident.
4. Released Firefighter: Personnel who possess NFPA 1001 qualifications at the Firefighter I level. These personnel are capable of participating in all firefighting activities, including entry in an IDLH atmosphere. The Released Firefighter is capable of operating without direct supervision.
5. Senior Firefighter: Personnel who possess NFPA 1001 qualifications at the Firefighter II level. These personnel are capable of acting as a group or division supervisor, and overseeing tactical objectives. The Senior Firefighter is capable of commanding an emergency incident.
6. Wildland Firefighter: Personnel who have obtained the **(p)S-130 & S-190** training courses from the USDF or the VDF.
7. BLS-AIC: Personnel who possess Basic Life Support (BLS) certification in accordance with Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) regulations. The BLS Attendant in charge (AIC) shall be released in accordance with the companies approved protocols.
8. ALS-AIC: Personnel who possess ALS certification in accordance with Virginia OEMS regulations. The ALS AIC shall be released in accordance with the companies approved protocols.
9. Extricator: Personnel who possess qualifications in extrication. This designation can be utilized as a stand alone designation, or in conjunction with any rank position beyond probationary status.
10. Driver-Emergency Operator: Personnel who have certifications in EVOC, and possess a valid Virginia driver's license. The Driver-Emergency Operator shall be

able to operate emergency vehicles within their EVOC classification during an emergency response. This status can include utility, quick response vehicles, and brush vehicles.

11. Driver-Ambulance Operator: Personnel who have certifications in EVOC, and possess a valid Virginia driver's license. The Driver-Ambulance Operator shall be able to operate an ambulance during emergent responses.

12. Driver –Pump Operator: Personnel who possess certifications in EVOC, Basic Pump Operations, Rural Water Supply and a valid Virginia Driver's license. The Driver-Pump Operator shall be able to operate the pumping apparatus during emergent responses, and demonstrate proficiency on pumping the apparatus.

13. Driver-Rescue Engine Operator: Personnel who have certifications in EVOC, Vehicle Extrication, HMA and a valid Virginia Driver's license. The Driver-Rescue Engine Operator shall be able to operate the Rescue Engine during emergent responses, and have working knowledge of all specialty equipment carried on the apparatus.

POLICY:

1. Training- To ensure personnel are provided the necessary education for emergency incident mitigation, the following training levels are required (**BOLD**) and recommend (*Italics*):

Probationary Member	Released Firefighter	Senior Firefighter
CPR	**FF I**	**FF II**
IS-700	**IS-100**	*STICO**
Infection Control	**IS-200**	*IS-800*
HMA	*RIT & May Day*	

BLS AIC	ALS AIC	Extricator
BLS Certification*	**ALS Certification***	**Vehicle Extrication**
*ITLS**	*ACLS* & ITLS**	**HMA***
*PEPP**	*PEPP or PALS**	*Farm Extrication*
		*HTR Modules**

Driver-Ambulance Operator	Driver-Pump Operator	Driver-Rescue Engine
EVOC (II)	**EVOC (III)**	**EVOC (III)**
*HMA**	**BPO***	**Vehicle Extrication***
	RWS*	**HMA***

*Class definitions are attached to the end of this policy.

All new personnel must be certified at the required level in order to participate within a classification. Existing personnel can be identified as qualified through the company training officer and local record keeping.

2. Record-Keeping

Certification records shall be maintained in the Fire House database locally, and copies given to the Emergency Service Coordinator.

3. Class Glossary
    a. CPR: Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation Health Care Provider
    b. HMA: Hazardous Materials Awareness
    c. FF I: Firefighter I
    d. FF II: Firefighter II
    e. STICO: National Fire Academy Strategy and Tactic for Company Officers
    f. BLS: Basic Life Support (EMT) Emergency Medical Technician
    g. ITLS: International Trauma Life Support
    h. ALS: Advanced Life Support includes EMT-Enhanced, EMT-Intermediate, or EMT-Paramedic.
    i. ACLS: Advanced Cardiac Life Support
    j. PEPP: Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals
    k. PALS: Pediatric Advanced Life Support
    l. EVOC: Emergency Vehicle Operator Course
    m. BPO: Basic Pump Operator
    n. RWS: Rural Water Supply
    o. HTR Modules: VDFP Confined Space Rescue, Rope Rescue, Trench Rescue, and Heavy Rig Extrication.
    p. S-130/S-190: Minimum training standards for wildland firefighters.