



ABINGTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

OG - 100-201

Fire Chief

Job Summary

The Fire Chief is the highest ranking officer in the fire company. The Fire Chief is expected to be experienced at and be able to perform the duties of a firefighter and a junior line officer. The Fire Chief is responsible for acting as the Incident Commander at an emergency scene, and is expected to have extensive knowledge of fire suppression and rescue techniques. It is also the Fire Chiefs responsibility to insure that management of the day to day operations of the fire company is carried out.

Essential Job Functions

These duties while listed as essential job functions of the Fire Chief may be delegated as deemed necessary by the Fire Chief.

- Perform the essential job functions of a Firefighter, as well as the junior line officers.
- Responsible for the training and safety of the firefighters and officers under his command.
- Performs size up of emergency incidents to determine that proper manpower, equipment and tactics are utilized to resolve the incident.
- Directs incoming apparatus for proper placement and water supply.
- Directs manpower and equipment at an emergency incident for mitigation of the incident.
- Formulates and implements tactics at an emergency incident to mitigate the incident.
- Acts as liaison with other responding agencies, and local, state and federal government.
- Responsible for formulating and implementing policies and procedures necessary for line operations of the fire company.
- Ensures that equipment, safety clothing, apparatus, and supplies are specified, purchased, received and distributed in an effective manner

Other Duties

- Participates in ongoing training and education.
- Directs training of firefighters and junior officers.
- Maintains administrative records and performs administrative duties for the day-to-day operation of the fire company.

Physical Requirements

- Same as an Interior Firefighter.