

qathet REGIONAL DISTRICT

SECTION 5 INDIVIDUAL SERVICE POLICIES - FIRE DEPARTMENTS

POLICY 5.3.3

SUBJECT FIRE DEPARTMENTS' LEVELS OF SERVICE POLICY

ADOPTED May 26, 2016

POLICY STATEMENT

By order of the Office of the Fire Commissioner, the qathet Regional District must declare fire service levels and training standards for each of the qRD fire departments.

PURPOSE

This policy identifies the emergency services each Regional District Fire Department is authorized to provide and to establish the levels of service to which each service will be performed.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Regional District Fire Departments.

POLICY/GUIDELINES

The qathet Regional District recognizes that the Regional District Fire Departments are authorized to provide emergency services within their respective Fire Protection Areas to the levels prescribed in Appendices A, B, and C.

RESPONSIBILITY/AUTHORITY TO ACT

The Manager of Emergency Services and Fire Chiefs are responsible for ensuring that the level of service identified are adhered to and that the Fire Department Members delivering these services maintain the required training competencies.

PROCEDURES

Each Fire Department will maintain a training program and equipment and apparatus appropriate to meet the current standards applicable to the levels of service identified in the following Appendices.

Limits of Service:

Services provided by each Fire Department depend on the availability of volunteers who are members of the community and have completed appropriate training. The volunteer members are on call to provide response capability twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The number of personnel and equipment available for delivery of Fire Protection Services at emergency events will determine the level of service the Department can provide at that time.

REFERENCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards Structure Firefighters Competency and Training PLAYBOOK Second Edition Amended: May 2015 Pursuant to paragraph 3(3)(b) of the *Fire Services Act* of B.C.

Original Adoption: November 26, 2015

APPENDIX A -

**NORTHSIDE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVELS AND STANDARDS**

<u>EMERGENCY PROVIDED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u>
Fire Fighting Services		Full Service Operations as described by Office of the Fire Commissioner's <i>British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards Structure Firefighters Competency and Training Playbook</i>
First Responder Services		Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories B,C,D,E
Rescue Services		
Road Rescue Motor Vehicle Incidents,		Vehicle and Machinery Rescue
Rope Rescue		Low Angle Rescue
Hazardous Materials Response		Hazmat Operations Level
Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid		As per existing Agreements
Other Services		
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)		

APPENDIX B -

**SAVARY ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVELS AND STANDARDS**

<u>EMERGENCY PROVIDED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u>
Fire Fighting Services		Exterior Operations as described by Office of the Fire Commissioner's <i>British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards Structure Firefighters Competency and Training Playbook</i>
First Responder Services		Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories A,B,C,D,E
Rescue Services		General rescue only, no technical rescue
Hazardous Materials Response		Hazmat Awareness Level
Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid		As per existing Agreements
Other Public Services		
Open Fire Control		As per Bylaws 373, 373.1
Public Services (Alarms, Unknown Odours)		

APPENDIX C -

**MALASPINA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVELS AND STANDARDS**

<u>EMERGENCY PROVIDED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u>
Fire Fighting Services		Full Service Operations as described by Office of the Fire Commissioner's <i>British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards Structure Firefighters Competency and Training Playbook</i>
First Responder Services		Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories B,C,D,E
Rescue Services		
Road Rescue Motor Vehicle Incidents,		Vehicle and Machinery Rescue
Rope Rescue		Low Angle Rescue
Hazardous Materials Response		Hazmat Operations Level
Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid		As per existing Agreements
Other Services		
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)		

APPENDIX D -

**LASQUETI ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVELS AND STANDARDS**

<u>EMERGENCY PROVIDED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u>
Fire Fighting Services		Exterior Operations as described by Office of the Fire Commissioner's <i>British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards Structure Firefighters Competency and Training Playbook</i>
First Responder Services		Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories A,B,C,D,E
Rescue Services		General rescue only, no technical rescue
Hazardous Materials Response		Hazmat Awareness Level
Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid		As per existing Agreements
Other Public Services		
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)		