



# qathet REGIONAL DISTRICT

<b>SECTION 5.3</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL SERVICE POLICIES – FIRE</b>
<b>POLICY</b>	<b>5.3.3</b>
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>FIRE DEPARTMENTS’ LEVELS OF SERVICE</b>
<b>ADOPTED</b>	<b>MAY 26, 2016</b>

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## **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.

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**APPENDIX A -**

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

<b><u>EMERGENCY SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>	<b><u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>
<b>Fire Fighting Services</b>	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>
<b>First Responder Services</b>	Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories B,C,D,E
<b>Rescue Services</b>	
Road Rescue Motor Vehicle Incidents,	Vehicle and Machinery Rescue
Rope Rescue	Low Angle Rescue
<b>Hazardous Materials Response</b>	Hazmat Operations Level
<b>Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid</b>	As per existing Agreements
<b>Other Services</b>	
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)	

**APPENDIX B -**

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

<b><u>EMERGENCY SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>	<b><u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>
<b>Fire Fighting Services</b>	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>
<b>First Responder Services</b>	Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories A,B,C,D,E
<b>Rescue Services</b>	General rescue only, no technical rescue
<b>Hazardous Materials Response</b>	Hazmat Awareness Level
<b>Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid</b>	As per existing Agreements
<b>Other Public Services</b>	
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**

<b><u>EMERGENCY SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>	<b><u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>
<b>Fire Fighting Services</b>	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>
<b>First Responder Services</b>	Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories B,C,D,E
<b>Rescue Services</b>	
Road Rescue Motor Vehicle Incidents,	Vehicle and Machinery Rescue
Rope Rescue	Low Angle Rescue
<b>Hazardous Materials Response</b>	Hazmat Operations Level
<b>Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid</b>	As per existing Agreements
<b>Other Services</b>	
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)	

**APPENDIX D -**

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

<b><u>EMERGENCY SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>	<b><u>LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED</u></b>
<b>Fire Fighting Services</b>	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>
<b>First Responder Services</b>	Medical Emergencies Response to Medical Priority Dispatch System categories A,B,C,D,E
<b>Rescue Services</b>	General rescue only, no technical rescue
<b>Hazardous Materials Response</b>	Hazmat Awareness Level
<b>Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid</b>	As per existing Agreements
<b>Other Public Services</b>	
Public Services (Open burning complaints, Alarms, Unknown Odours)	