

Standard Operating Guidelines

GROOMING STANDARDS

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Date: 09/09R

PURPOSE

To establish guidelines concerning personal appearance standards, which will enable Fire Department members are to neat and professional at all times.

POLICY

Fire Department members shall maintain a high standard of dress and personal appearance.

Members (while on duty) shall abide by departmental grooming standards. On duty is considered any time a member is in the public view, whether it be a drill, fire, training session, class or in station.

SCOPE

All members of the Fire Department while acting in an official capacity shall abide by the standards contained within this policy.

RESPONSIBILITY

All members are responsible to abide by departmental grooming standards and maintain a neat and professional appearance while on duty or in uniform.

HAIR

Hair configurations shall abide to PEOSHA and NFPA standards with regards to wearing SCBA.

Hair: Hair shall be maintained clean and neat in appearance. There are many hairstyles that are acceptable. Hair styles that preclude the proper wearing of SCBA are not permitted. Hair shall not in any way interfere with the proper wearing of uniform hats or protective equipment, or in any way create a safety hazard.

Sideburns: Sideburns shall be maintained at a length and/or configuration, which will not come into contact with a breathing apparatus face piece (inner seal) at any point.

Wigs or Hairpieces: The wearing of a wig or hairpiece while in uniform is allowed for the purpose of covering natural baldness or disfiguration. When worn, it shall conform to the haircut criteria specified in this policy.

Facial Hair

Mustaches may be worn, but must be kept trimmed and neat in appearance.

Facial hair must in no way restrict the positive inner seal of the breathing apparatus face piece.

Beards and goatees are not permitted.

UNIFORMS

Uniforms must be kept neat, clean and in good condition. Shoes shall be kept clean and polished.

PERSONAL CLEANLINESS

Members shall keep themselves clean. Good health habits shall be observed.

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District Chief

Company Chief

Board