

BY-LAW 541
A BY-LAW RELATING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT LEVEL OF SERVICE IN
THE TOWN OF OROMOCTO

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Town of Oromocto under the authority vested in it by Section 186 of the Local Governance Act, S.N.B. 2017, c.18

1. PURPOSE AND INTENT

- 1.1. The Town of Oromocto will provide community fire, rescue, and medical first response services according to the provisions of this policy statement.

2. TITLE

- 2.1. This By-Law may be cited as the Town of Oromocto Fire Department Level of Service By-Law.

3. DEFINITIONS

- 3.1. The following definitions shall apply to this by-law:

- a. **“Response Levels and Minimum Staffing”** means:
 - 3.1.a.1. Awareness Level: Firefighters will recognize risks and hazards, secure the area, and call for trained assistance.
 - 3.1.a.2. Operations Level: Firefighters will take defensive action to contain and control the incident and seek assistance from outside agencies equipped to mitigate the incident. Operations depend on adequate staffing levels to provide an effective response force (ERF).
 - 3.1.a.3. Technician Level: Firefighters will initiate offensive action to bring the incident under control and to an end. This depends on adequate staffing levels to provide an effective response force.
- b. **“Minimum staff”** refers to the minimum number required to initiate a response without mutual or automatic aid.
- c. **“Orientation”** means the initial onboarding, such as Human Resources, Occupational Health and Safety, and equipping new staff with tools, equipment, apps, and personal protective equipment.
- d. **“OHS 20+ Members”** refers to the minimum New Brunswick Occupational Health and Safety, WorkSafe New Brunswick requirements for worksites with 20 or more workers. A formal Occupational Health and Safety Program is required.
- e. **“Fire Prevention”** includes all fire prevention services such as Public Education, Fire Inspections, and Fire Investigations.
- f. **“Team Lead”** refers to the development of senior staff and Officers, leadership, safety, critical thinking and decision-making skills, administration, and record keeping.
- g. **“Municipal Demand Zone(s)”** means the Town of Oromocto includes multiple demand zones for response within its borders, including urban, suburban, rural and remote demand zones.
- h. **“General Firefighting”** refers to the required basic skills and training post-orientation involving personal and team safety.
- i. **“Apparatus and Vehicle Operations”** refers to driver training to meet the Motor Vehicle Act: operations of vehicle systems excluding pump operations.
- j. **“Fire Suppression (Exterior Operations)”** refers to training based on NFPA 1001-L1. Equivalent certification is achieved through the New Brunswick Community College.

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- k. **“Fire Suppression (Interior Operations)”** refers to interior Structural Fire Suppression, including operations inside burning structures by appropriately trained personnel only.
- l. **“Wildland/Grassland Firefighting”** refers to training based on NFPA 1051 JPR’s.
- m. **“Dangerous Goods and Hazmat”** refers to the ability to identify a hazardous Hazmat event and its potential consequences, ensure public safety, secure hazardous zone(s), and perform evacuation, if necessary.
- n. **“Vehicle Firefighting”** refers to identifying and training particular techniques and practices related explicitly to Vehicle Fires.
- o. **“Traffic Control”** refers to the essential competencies in working on roadways, including providing a safe area for all responders and controlling traffic flow.
- p. **“Pumping Operations”** refers to the competencies related to operating and using fire pumps on apparatus.
- q. **“Response to Alarms”** means the response to occupancies, including monitored alarm systems, CO alarms, suspicious odours and basic knowledge of fire alarm panel functions.
- r. **“Vehicle Extrication”** refers to the safe removal of trapped or pinned occupants of motor vehicle collisions using hand, air, electric, or hydraulic-operated extrication tools.
- s. **“Technical Rescue – Ice Rescue”** means effecting rescue in frozen or partially frozen bodies of water.
- t. **“Technical Rescue – Rope Rescue”** means the rescue of victims using various rope, haul and belay systems.
- u. **“Medical Co-Response”** refers to intermediate first aid: CPR, AED, and assisting EMS with support in a medical emergency that involves intervention for immediate life-threatening medical conditions.
- v. **“Structural Firefighting (Low Rise Buildings)”** means the structural fire suppression operations of low-rise buildings.
- w. **“Large Vehicle Rescue”** refers to the rescue from transport tractors and other large vehicles.
- x. **“Wildland Urban Interface Fire Suppression”** means specialized equipment and training required per NFPA 1051.
- y. **“Technical Rescue Surface Water Rescue”** refers to effecting rescues on lakes and other static bodies of water.
- z. **“Technical Rescue – Wilderness Search and Rescue”** means the search, rescue, and recovery of individuals in wilderness environments.
- aa. **“Aerial Operations”** refers to the competencies related to the operation of aerial apparatus or ladder trucks.
- bb. **“High-rise building Firefighting”** refers to firefighting in structures more than three stories tall with the potential for high occupancy.
- cc.

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ORGANIZATIONAL SERVICES AND FIRE PREVENTION			
Service	Service Type	General Description of Service	Comments
Orientation	Core	Initial onboarding: Human Resources, Occupational Health & Safety; Equipping new staff with tools, equipment, apps, and PPE	Compulsory Service
OHS 20+ Members	Core	Minimum New Brunswick OH, WorkSafe New Brunswick requirements with 20 or more workers. A formal OHS Program is required.	Compulsory Service
Fire Prevention	Core	Includes all Fire Prevention services, Public Education, Fire Inspections and Fire Investigations as per NFPA 1033 & 1030.	Compulsory Service: Optional Services may be outsourced to contractors
Team Lead	Core	Development of senior staff and Officers; Leadership; Safety; Critical thinking and decision-making skills; Administration & record keeping; Operation standard NFPA 1021	Compulsory Service
Municipal Demand Zone(s)	Core	The Town of Oromocto includes multiple demand zones for response within its borders, including urban, suburban, rural, and remote demand zones	Compulsory Service

FIRE RESPONSE

Service	Service Level	General Description of Service	Comments
General Firefighting	Operations	Required basic skills and training, post orientations; involves personal and team safety; all basic JPRs from NFPA 1001-L1	Compulsory Service
Apparatus & Vehicle Operations	Operations	Driver training to meet the Traffic Safety Act; operations of vehicle systems, excluding pump operations	Compulsory Service
Fire Suppression (Exterior Operations)	Technician	Training based on NFPA 1001-L1; equivalent certification achieved through the NBCC (Province)	Compulsory Service Min staff
Fire Suppression (Interior Operations)	Technician	Training based on NFPA 1001-L1. An optional certification achieved through the province	Optional Service Min staff 4

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Wildland Grassland Firefighting	Technician	Training based on NFPA 1051 JPRs	Compulsory Service Min staff 3
Vehicle Firefighting	Technician	Identifying and training in particular techniques and practices related explicitly to vehicle fires as per NFPA 1001 F1 & F2	Compulsory Service Min staff 3
Pumping Operations	Technician	Competencies related to the operation and use of fire pumps on apparatus, as identified in NFPA 1002	Compulsory Service
Response to Alarms	Operations	Response to occupancies that include monitored alarm systems, CO alarms, and suspicious odours; Basic knowledge of fire alarm panel functions	Compulsory Service
Structural Firefighting – Low Rise Buildings	Technician	Structural fire suppression operations of low-rise buildings; NFPA 1001 F1 – F2, NFPA 13	
Aerial Operations	Operations	Competencies related to the operation of aerial apparatus or ladder trucks	
High Rise Building Firefighting	Operations	Firefighting infrastructures that are more than three stories tall and have the potential for high occupancy. The response priorities are firefighter life safety, civilian life safety, incident control, property conservation and environmental conservation.	

RESCUE SERVICES

Service	Service Level	General Description of Service	Comments
Vehicle Extrication	Technician	Vehicle extrication, including the safe removal of trapped or pinned occupants of motor vehicle collisions using hand, air, electric, or hydraulic operated extrication tools	

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Medical Co-Response	Operations	Intermediate first aid; CPR; AED; assist with support as a medical emergency that involves intervention for immediately life-threatening medical conditions	
Ice Rescue	Technician	Effecting rescue in frozen or partially frozen bodies of water	
Surface Water Rescue	Operations	Effecting rescue on lakes or other static bodies of water, NFPA 1006 & 1952	
Large Vehicle Rescue	Technician	Rescue from Transport Tractor and other large vehicles; NFPA 1006 with additional specialized training	
Rope Rescue	Operations	Rescue of victims using various rope, haul and belay systems	
Wildland Urban Interface Fire Suppression	Operations	Specialized equipment and training required; NFPA 1051	
Wilderness Search and Rescue	Operations	Search, rescue, and recovery of individuals in wilderness environments; NFPA 1670	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Service	Service Level	General Description of Service	Comments
Dangerous Goods and Hazmat	Operations	Ability to identify Hazmat events and potential consequences; ability to ensure public safety and secure hazardous zone(s) and perform evacuation, if necessary, as per NFPA 470	
Traffic Control	Technician	Essential competencies in working on roadways, providing a safe working area for all responders, traffic control and flow, NFPA 1091	

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22 JANUARY 2026

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22 JANUARY 2026

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