

Firefighter Health, Safety and Survival

614.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to encourage a culture of safety first in an effort to increase employee health, safety and survival, and reduce the number of preventable injuries and deaths.

614.2 POLICY

The Fresno County Fire Protection District is committed to providing leadership, accountability and training regarding firefighter health, safety and survival.

614.3 MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Members are responsible for participating in health, safety and survival training required by the District. Members are also responsible for their own actions and are expected to follow Fresno County Fire Protection District safety standards, practices and training.

Any member who observes another member engaging in unsafe behavior should report the behavior to his/her supervisor as soon as reasonably practicable.

614.4 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Company officers are responsible for ensuring members attend required health, safety and survival training.

All supervisors are expected to model safe behaviors and take appropriate action when unsafe behaviors are observed or reported.

614.5 TRAINING CHIEF RESPONSIBILITIES

The Training Chief is responsible for identifying health, safety and survival training required by the District.

Required training may include safety-related courses of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF), National Fire Academy, International Association of Fire Chiefs, International Association of Firefighters or other nationally recognized fire service organizations.

614.6 TRAINING RECORDS

The Training Chief is responsible for maintaining records of health, safety and survival training received by members. Records should include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The dates of the training sessions.
- (b) A list of the topics or a summary of the content of the training sessions.
- (c) The names or other identifiers and job titles of the members who received the training.
- (d) The names, certificate numbers and qualifications of persons conducting the training.

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