



Lookingglass Rural Fire District

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TO: All LRFD Personnel

FROM : Steve Rhodes, Volunteer Fire Chief

SUBJECT : OROSHA Temporary Rule and OHA/Oregon Fire Service Policies

Attached please find information relating specifically to the Oregon Fire Service and our operations as First Responders. The first two documents alter our operations when responding to emergency incidents, and also affect our accessibility and PPE when using the Fire Station facilities.

From December 3, 2020 until a minimum of December 31, 2020 (28 days – State of Oregon “Extreme”), the following temporary policies will be in effect at the Lookingglass Rural Fire District:

1. The Fire Station is closed to general public access. Visitors must call 541 679-5555 or 541 580-9287 and leave a message. We will contact them as soon as possible to discuss needs and access.
2. Normal meetings or events that cause our employees to gather, including training, maintenance, and reports and records work, etc. with a possibility of more than 6 attendees or any violation of social distancing are canceled until further notice. Staggered work parties or individual activities where small groups of first responders are occupying the building in compliance with OSHA rules are allowed, but alternate ways to accomplish work are encouraged.
3. Masks or appropriate face coverings will be worn inside the Station at all times. No exceptions.
4. Common areas, doorknobs, work stations, equipment, and contact spaces will be sanitized or disinfected after each use (once a day minimum).
5. Masks or appropriate face coverings will be worn outside when a 6' distance can not be maintained between workers and/or the public.
6. When riding in Fire Department vehicles, respiratory protection will be worn if there is more than one person in the vehicle. Common surfaces will be sanitized after use.
7. A posted Covid-19 plan is available in the station and taped to the window near the front door as required by law.

The following policies relating to emergency incidents are in effect for the same period listed above:

1. Treat every contact on every type of call initially as a possible Coronavirus incident. MVAs, public assists, fires, and any other type of incident may cause us to come in contact with patients, bystanders, or other personnel who may or may not be infected.

2. Note the requirements as listed in the OHA and Oregon Fire Service Coronavirus Response team documents. It is the responsibility of the ranking Fire Officer or Medical Authority on scene to enforce the requirements.
3. Initial contact for patients on medical aids shall be by one first responder with a minimum of gloves, goggles or glasses, and an N95 face mask properly in place. A pulse oximeter, thermometer, and bp cuff/stethoscope should be the minimum initial evaluation equipment carried. If there is any report of Covid -19 or respiratory symptoms, the first responder shall also wear a provided disposable gown. All equipment/PPE exposed to a patient will be disposed of or sanitized by practicing existing blood borne pathogen guidelines.
4. PPE may be reused as outlined in OHA, CDC, and OSHA guidelines if it can be properly sanitized.
5. First responders who are exposed or potentially exposed to Covid-19 patients either on FD related incidents or in their personal life are encouraged to seek testing for Covid-19, and maintain vigilance for the appearance of symptoms of the virus. Self quarantine until testing is completed is recommended, and may be required by the LRFD.

If more information is needed or any questions arise, please review the attached documents and contact myself, Chief Scott, or Captains Chitwood or Fox.

Steve Rhodes

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