

METCHOSIN FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM GUIDELINES

I. OBJECTIVE

The Junior Firefighter Program is a training program instituted by the Metchosin Volunteer Fire Department for young men and women, ages 16 – 18, interested in serving their community and preparing to become active Firefighters upon reaching the age of 19. At age 19, the Junior Firefighter is eligible to switch over to full member status.

II. PURPOSE

Due to the inherent dangers of firefighting, strict rules of conduct and tight procedural standards are established. In an actual emergency, it is essential that all Firefighters, including Junior Firefighters, act in a calm and efficient manner. The Junior Firefighters are expected to attend weekly training drills to be prepared for the many challenges presented in an emergency situation. Each member is expected to read and understand these requirements and to adhere to the standards. The Metchosin Volunteer Fire Department Officers are available to discuss any questions.

III. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Any resident who lives within District of Metchosin, between the ages of 16 – 18, may make application for junior membership.**
- B. The applicant must be in good academic standing at his/her school at the time of application and during the period of membership as a Junior Firefighter.**
- C. The applicant must complete an application. Included with the application is a parental consent form that must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.**

IV. GENERAL RULES

- 1. Junior Firefighters represent the Metchosin Fire Department, and are expected to be courteous and respectful to fellow Firefighters, emergency service personnel and all citizens served.**
- 2. The Metchosin Fire Department will not tolerate vulgar, offensive, discriminatory or threatening language or gestures at any time.**
- 3. Junior Firefighters may respond to the fire hall when the pager sounds, but will NOT roll on the apparatus in response to the incident.**