

Personal Protective Clothing

#101 Purpose

101.1 The intent of this standard is to prevent injuries to firefighters while in the line of duty by utilizing the Personal Protective Equipment available to them.

#102 Personal Protective Equipment

102.1 All personnel shall wear appropriate PPE at all incidents.

102.2 Full protective clothing includes:

102.2.1 *Medical Responses* : as needed at a minimum to include medical gloves, depending on the situation, can be full gown, goggles, face mask, and foot protection.

102.2.2 *Natural Cover Fires*: wildland gear ; district helmet, leather gloves, leather boots, jeans or equivalent. If the above is not available wear bunker boots and pants, helmets and gloves. No personnel shall wear sandals, shorts, skirts, dresses, tennis shoes, or synthetic pants.

102.2.3 *All other responses* to include, but not limited to, structure fires, vehicles fires, vehicle extrication's, etc.. The gear for this type of response is: Bunker coat and pants, boots, gloves, hood, helmet and if in smoky environment or dangerous atmosphere, SCBA with pass unit turned on.

#103 Cleaning And Maintenance

103.1 Firefighters are responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of their personal protective equipment.

It is important to note that proper cleaning, storing, and repair of personal protective equipment increases the effectiveness and length of time in service.

103.2 Any equipment defects or irreparable damage to personal protective equipment must be reported to your station officers.

#104 Gear Removal

104.1 Only the Incident Commander shall allow personnel on scene to remove certain items of personal protective equipment.

#105 SCBA Annual Qualification

105.1 Annually all firefighters that use SCBA's will be checked off by their Captain. This will be an annual qualification to be completed and documented each year.