



# Ocean City Fire Department

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### **Ocean City Fire Department Welcomes MSFA Convention**

The Ocean City Fire Department is excited to welcome the 119th Annual Maryland State Firemen's Association to Ocean City. There are many events planned during the week for firefighters, EMS and rescue personnel. The opening ceremony will take place on Monday, June 20, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. in the Convention Center Main Ball Room.

Officers and members of the Ocean City Fire Department look forward to having the convention in Ocean City. "When members of the public safety community gather in Ocean City, it brings about networking opportunities, training, and the opportunity to share the latest developments in fire service apparatus and equipment," said Public Information Officer Ryan Whittington.

Exhibits at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center are open to the public. Exhibit hours are Monday and Tuesday 9-4 and Wednesday 9-12. The convention is capped by a parade on Wednesday, June 22 at 1 p.m. along Baltimore Avenue from Wicomico Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Fire Departments wishing to participate should report to the inlet parking lot.

Visitors and residents are encouraged to stop into any of the fire stations in Ocean City for a tour or blood pressure check.

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