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**Department of Emergency Services  
Fire-EMS Division  
Standard Operating Procedures**

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## General Policies

Subject: General Gear Issue  
Revised: 8-21-02  
Section: 212.00

### 212.01 Purpose

- A. To provide a basic uniform clothing issue and protective clothing issue.
- B. To provide command, company, and functional identification for Fire-EMS Division personnel and the public during routine operations and operations at alarms where protective clothing is utilized.

### 212.02 Policy

- A. All uniforms worn by Fire-EMS Division personnel shall meet Fire-EMS Division specifications and shall be neat in appearance.
- B. Fire-EMS Division members shall maintain at least the minimum amount of uniform clothing as is specified in this policy under "Basic Uniform Clothing Issue".
- C. Those uniforms which are listed within this policy shall be the only officially recognized uniforms of the Ocean City Fire-EMS Division.
- D. Each member of the Fire-EMS Division shall be issued a full complement of safety gear according to their respective positions within the organization.
- E. Members shall utilize such safety gear as they have been issued in accordance with and any instructions which they may receive from their immediate supervisor.
- F. Members shall notify their immediate supervisor if any part of their safety gear becomes damaged, lost, or stolen.

### 212.03 Responsibility

- A. All members are responsible for maintaining a neat and professional appearance.
- B. All officers are responsible to insure that those whom they supervise comply with Division uniform standards.
- C. Supervisors are responsible for insuring that those under their command properly utilize safety gear.
- D. Members are responsible for the care and maintenance of their personal safety gear.

#### 212.04 Basic Uniform Clothing Issue

Members shall be provided with the complete basic uniform clothing issue on or around their employment date. Members shall continue to maintain at least the basic issue of clothing during their career with the Fire-EMS Division. The following items constitute the basic uniform clothing issue:

- A. Work (Class B) uniform:
  - 1. Work pants – 2 pair
  - 2. Work shirt – 3 each
  - 3. Winter coat – 1
  - 4. Rain coat – 1
  - 5. Uniform shoes – city shoe allowance
  - 6. Last Chance belt – 1
  - 7. Baseball cap – 1
  - 8. T- shirts – 3
  - 9. Traffic-Safety Reflective Vest - 1
  
- B. Dress (Class A) uniform: (as available)
  
- C. Accessories:
  - 1. Emergency Services patch – 1 per shirt
  - 2. Certification patch – 1 per shirt
  - 3. Uniform badge – 1
  - 4. Name plate – 1
  - 5. Collar pins – 1 pair

#### 212.05 Protective Clothing Issue

The following section will list the various components of the protective clothing issue color coded according to position within the Fire-EMS Division.

- A. Firefighter-EMS Providers
  - 1. Turnout pants – 1 pair
  - 2. Turnout coat – 1
  - 3. Turnout boots – 1 pair
  - 4. Work gloves – 1 pair
  - 5. Fire helmet – 1
  - 6. Suspenders – 1 pair
  - 7. Nomex hood – 1
  - 8. SCBA face piece and bag – 1 each
  - 9. Personal escape rope – 1
  - 10. Gear bag – 1
  - 11. Personal radio, battery and charger -1
  
- B. Lieutenants
  - 1. Turnout pants – 1 pair
  - 2. Turnout coat – 1
  - 3. Turnout boots – 1 pair
  - 4. Work gloves – 1 pair

5. Fire helmet – 1
6. Suspenders – 1 pair
7. Nomex hood – 1
8. SCBA face piece and bag – 1 each
9. Personal escape rope – 1
10. Gear bag – 1
11. Personal radio, battery and charger -1

C. Captain

1. Turnout pants – 1 pair
2. Turnout coat – 1
3. Turnout boots – 1 pair
4. Work gloves – 1 pair
5. Helmet – 1
6. Suspenders – 1 pair
7. Nomex hood – 1
8. SCBA face piece and bag –1 each
9. Personal escape rope – 1
10. Gear bag – 1
11. Personal radio, battery and charger –1