
**Ocean City Fire Department
Standard Operating Guidelines**

Organization

Subject: Rank and Chain of Command
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105.01 Purpose

This policy defines the rank structure to establish authority within the fire department.

105.02 Policy

The fire department shall utilize one rank structure in the execution of duties and responsibilities of department members. Authority established by rank applies throughout the department.

105.03 Rank Structure

- A. Fire Chief
- B. Deputy Chief
- C. Assistant Chief
- D. Captain
- E. Lieutenant
- F. Members

105.04 Officers

The Fire Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, Captains, and Lieutenants are designated as officers within the department.

105.05 Command Staff

The Fire Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs and Captains are designated as commanding officers within the department.

105.06 Incident Command Structure

The incident command system shall be used on all emergency incidents.