Grant County Fire Protection District 3

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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1. NUMBER: 10.1.5

2. SUBJECT: ***Head Protection***

3. POLICY: Grant County Fire District 3 shall provide helmets to all members for use of structural firefighting operations. Helmets shall comply with NFPA 1972, 1987 or current edition to members who engage in, or are exposed to, the hazards of structural firefighting.

4. SCOPE: This Policy and Procedure is applicable to all members of Grant County Fire District 3.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES:

   A. The District Fire Chief is responsible for ensuring that this Policy and Procedure is followed.

   B. The District is responsible for ensuring that all members are aware of this Policy and Procedure.

   C. Grant County Fire District 3 is responsible for quarterly inspection/cleaning and determining the need to repair and/or replacement of protective wear.

   D. All members are responsible for following this Policy.

6. PROCEDURE:

   A. The manufacture's recommendations will be consulted regarding inspection, care, use, maintenance, limitations and/or retirement criteria.

   B. A quarterly inspection will be done to look for cracked, deformed, or broken parts of the helmet.

   C. Helmets shall be provided with face shields or goggles.

   D. Helmet accessories shall not interfere with the function of the helmet or its component parts and shall not degrade the helmets performance.

   E. Helmets shall be maintained in accordance with the manufacture's recommendations. No modifications shall be made without prior written approval from the manufacturer.

   F. The District shall follow the manufacture's recommendations regarding cleaning, painting, marking, storage, and frequency and details of inspection. This is in accordance with W.A.C. 296-305-02004 Standard.