



# ***EDGEWOOD FIRE/EMS***

## **Junior Firefighter**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Applied: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Prior Exploring or Fire Service Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have your parent's permission to apply to be a Junior Firefighter? YES [ ] NO [ ]

Parent / Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contacts:

1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_



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Medical Conditions or Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you take any medication? YES [  ] NO [  ]

If yes, list the medications and what condition it is for: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fire Chief Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Junior Firefighter Program Parental Consent and Approval**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print using Black or Blue Ink

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant permission for my child,

\_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the Junior Firefighter Program conducted by the Edgewood Fire/EMS Department. As an official participant in the Junior Firefighter Program with Edgewood Fire/EMS Department, for and on behalf of my child, I agree to the following:

- a. Hold Harmless: I shall release and hold harmless Edgewood Fire/EMS Department and the Kentucky Fire Commission for any harm or damages caused by or any liability incurred from my child's participation in the Junior Firefighter Program;
- b. Indemnification: I shall indemnify and defend Edgewood Fire/EMS Department and the Kentucky Fire Commission against all claims, causes of action, damages, judgements, costs or expenses, including litigation costs and attorney(s) fees, which may arise as a result of my child's participation in the Junior Firefighter Program. Such indemnification shall not be limited to actual damages but may include other specific damages;
- c. Choice of Law: I agree that my child \_\_\_\_\_ and I shall settle any and all disputes between the sponsoring Fire Department, the Kentucky Fire Commission, and any parties acting on their behalf in Kentucky and using Kentucky law;
- d. Full Agreement: I agree that neither I nor my child nor anyone from the Kentucky Fire Commission or the sponsoring Fire Department has made any promises or agreements that do not appear within the body of this document.
- e. Terms: I and my child agree to the following conditions for participation in the Junior Firefighter Program:
  1. My child shall not serve in any primary firefighting role, but shall at all times serve as a support volunteer who is present only under the supervision of qualified firefighters, either volunteer or paid;
  2. My child shall follow all rules, orders, and other instructions given by the supervising members of the sponsoring Fire Department.
  3. Failure to follow all rules, order, and other instructions given by the supervising members of the sponsoring Fire Department may result in dismissal from the Program. Such dismissal is at the discretion of the supervising members of the Program and shall not be an appealable decision;



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- 4. My child shall adhere to a code of conduct that is courteous, respectful, civil, and professional at all times while participating in the Junior Firefighter Program;
- f. The Junior Firefighter Program maintains a zero-tolerance policy for all participants in regards to drugs, alcohol, violence, and violations of the law. Any participant who violates this zero-tolerance policy shall be dismissed from the Program; and

I further understand that my child is not a firefighter under state law and does not qualify in any manner for benefits or other programs open to those firefighters qualified as professional or volunteer firefighters. Neither I nor my child shall make any claim to those benefits or programs available to paid or volunteer firefighters. Legitimate claims for workers compensation will be addressed as appropriate under the law.

I agree and hereby declare that I have read all materials provided to me and my child through the Junior Firefighter Program. In addition, I discussed these terms, conditions, and requirements with my child; both I and my child understand the requirements for participation in the Program. In declaring this acknowledgement and understanding, I and my child have affixed our signatures below.

Finally, I agree that the sponsoring fire department and its designated agents shall stand in my place for purposes of consent to transport and emergency treatment in the event of injury to my child. I hereby give consent for the sponsoring fire department and its designated agents to make those decisions necessary until such time as I arrive to retrieve my child from the fire department's care and custody. I also agree to hold harmless the sponsoring fire department and its designated agents from any liability or any claims that arise from the decisions to transport or treat my child while in the care of the sponsoring fire department.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

As Fire Chief of the sponsoring department, I hereby declare that I have supplied the above named parent and child with all documents, including program guidelines, that are necessary for participation in the completion of the JRFF Program in my department.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fire Chief Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Kentucky Fire Commission**  
**Junior Firefighter Program Guidelines**

General Requirements and Information

1. The documents provided in this mail-out are required. If a department has other documents that their governing body recommends, those documents shall be supplemental to the documents provided in this packet. **All documentation should be maintained on file within your department records.**
2. It is the understanding of the Fire Commission that all JRFF's that follow the approved guidelines as set forth by the Fire Commission will be protected under workman's compensation insurance at no cost to the department. However, Fire Commission makes no representation that this coverage shall continue in the future and shall not be responsible for any claims, damages, or other liability arising from the participation of any individual in the JRFF Program should such coverage be denied.
3. JRFF's ages 15-17 may ride in fire apparatus in accordance with each fire departments' SOP and local, state, and federal traffic laws. All fire departments must have and maintain a Department approved ride-along procedure at all times before JRFF's may participate and shall submit a copy of the SOP to the Fire Commission Office with the JRFF Program Notification Form.
4. JRFF may participate in the state FF identification program for picture ID's. JRFF's are NOT certified firefighters although may obtain a JRFF Identification as approved by the Program Coordinator, Fire Department Chief, and Kentucky Fire Commission. Officially participating JRFF's may qualify for worker's compensation benefits upon meeting eligibility requirements.
5. Child labor laws do not apply to JRFF volunteers. These laws are between an employer and employee.
6. Fire Departments are responsible for complying with any local, state, or federal law that is relevant to the duty of adults to report known or suspected child abuse or neglect. The Fire Commission shall not accept liability based on any failure of an individual member or department to comply with such laws.
7. Some insurance companies do not permit anyone under 21 to participate in drivers training as permitted in the guidelines. This should be handled in-house and remains the responsibility of the Fire Chief.
8. It shall be the responsibility of the sponsoring fire department to ensure that all equipment and apparatus which will be utilized is certified and inspected to the applicable laws, regulations, codes, and standards.



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JRFF's shall never:

1. Serve as the Incident Commander during non-emergency and/or emergency responses;
2. Participate in the place of trained personnel during non-emergency or emergency responses;
3. Engage in any non-emergency or emergency activities which may expose the JRFF to any situation which may be **Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH)** as defined by the U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) involving any fire or smoke conditions to include structure, vehicle, dumpster, wildland, liquids, gases, or rubbish fires; and/or operating in any Hazardous Materials control activities.
4. Operate hydraulic or power tools while on a non-emergency or emergency incident scene;
5. Participate in ventilation on a non-emergency or emergency incident scene which involve the JRFF encountering an IDLH;
6. Climb ladders during non-emergency or emergency incident responses to include aerial and/or ground ladders
7. Be responsible for apparatus operations; or
8. Be responsible or participate in traffic control activities
- 9. Respond to an incident either non-emergency or emergency to the scene while operating a POV (Privately Owned Vehicle).**
- 10. Install and/or operate a POV with any type of emergency warning device while responding to a non-emergency or emergency incident and/or have such warning devices installed in their POV(Privately Owned Vehicle).**

JRFF's on an incident scene may assist with the following activities:

1. Accountability;
2. Rehabilitation Area (Rehab);



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3. Exterior operations of hose to include operations and relocation of hose 3” or less in size, rolling and loading of hose outside an IDLH atmosphere;
4. Retrieval of equipment and/or tools from apparatus

Educational Requirements

JRFF’s shall be:

1. A high school graduate or equivalent; or
2. Enrolled in public, private, or home school in good standing who meet the attendance regulations as set forth by federal, state, or local authorities;
3. A student must maintain a course grade average or the equivalent of the letter “C” in all courses of study; and
4. Prohibited from participating in any fire department activities during regular school hours unless authorized by educational institution and fire department.

Training Requirements

JRFF’s:

1. May attend other classes not identified below when approved by Fire Chief and Program Coordinator, when no IDLH activities are involved;
2. JRFF 15-17 years of age, whom are properly equipped with personal protective equipment, are permitted to participate in classroom and skills/hands-on training in the following areas:
  - a. FF Olympics when approved by the Fire Chief and Program Coordinator
  - b. Administration and Organization
  - c. Safety
  - d. Communications
  - e. Fire Behavior (See below requirements for “live” fire training)
  - f. Portable Extinguishers (using a burn pan no larger than 36 x 36)
  - g. Personal Protective Equipment
  - h. Forcible Entry (may include power/hydraulic tools when under direct instructor supervision)
  - i. Ventilation (may include power saws when under direct instructor supervision and when secured with fall protection)
  - j. Ropes and Knots (See Rescue for Technical Rope Rescue)
  - k. Ladders (shall include the use of a ladder belt or safety harness for fall prevention)





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- l. Aerial Ladders (shall not exceed 60 degree climbing angle and 75 feet in height, shall include use of a ladder belt or safety harness for fall prevention)
- m. Hose/Nozzles/Appliances (shall not exceed hose line greater than 3")
- n. Foam (shall not exceed hose line size greater than 3")
- o. Fire Control (see Live Fire chart below)**
- p. Loss Control (Salvage/Overhaul)
- q. Emergency Medical Care (shall meet all governing agency requirements)
- r. Rescue (see Rescue chart below)**
- s. Water Supply
- t. Sprinklers (Fire Protection Systems and Alarms)
- u. Hazardous Materials (shall not be subject to "Live" products or an IDLH) may only be simulated operations.
- v. Fire Prevention/Public Education
- w. Building Construction
- x. Aircraft Crash-Fire-Rescue (see Live Fire chart below)**
- y. Emergency Disaster Planning
- z. Pump Operations
- aa. Drivers Training (shall only be by a licensed driver and only on a closed cone course under direct instructor supervision)(Driver Simulator is permitted by Non-Licensed JRFF)
- bb. Kentucky Firefighter Survival (may participate in all skills)
- cc. Kentucky Firefighter Rescue (may participate in all skills)
- dd. Kentucky Wildland Awareness (may participate in all skills)

**Live Fire Training**

Structural Firefighting- Fire-Blast or Pro-Safe Burn Trailers, **Shall** stay outside the burn room, **Shall** be under direct supervision of an SFRT Instructor

Vehicle Firefighting- Fire-Blast vehicle fire prop only, Shall be under direct supervision of SFRT instructor

Aircraft Firefighting- Fire-Blast helicopter fire prop only, shall be under direct supervision of SFRT instructor

Flammable Liquids Firefighting- Shall be SFRT exterior FLAG prop only, under direct supervision of SFRT instructor

Flammable Gases Firefighting- Shall be SFRT exterior FLAG prop only, under direct supervision of SFRT instructor

Trash Container/ Rubbish Firefighting- Shall be SFRT prop only, under direct supervision of SFRT instructor

Wildland Firefighting- No Live Fire Training Permitted



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**Technical Rescue Training**

Low and High Angle Rope Rescue- Shall be by approved and recognized standards and curricula, shall be under direct supervision of instructor, JRFF shall have a full-body harness and secured with a belay, shall be from a height of no more than 75 feet

Trench Rescue- Shall be under direct supervision of the instructor

Confined Space Rescue- Shall be under direct supervision of the instructor

Collapse Rescue- Shall be under direct supervision of the instructor

Vehicle Extrication and Rescue- Shall be under direct supervision of the instructor

Farm & Machinery Rescue- Shall be under direct supervision of the instructor

Swift Water Rescue- IS NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIAPTE

Dive Rescue- IS NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE

Ice Rescue- IS NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE

**Incident Response Requirements**

JRFF's:

1. Members 15-17 years of age shall complete a minimum of 30 hours of training in the following areas prior to participating on an incident scene:
  - a. A0000 Administration 2 hrs.
  - b. B0000 Safety 3 hrs.
  - c. D0000 Fire Behavior 2 hrs.
  - d. E0000 Portable Extinguishers 1 hr.
  - e. F0000 PPE 3 hrs.
  - f. G0000 Forcible Entry 1 hr.
  - g. H0000 Ventilation 1 hr.
  - h. I0000 Ropes 1 hr.
  - i. J0000 Ladders 2 hrs
  - j. K0000 Hose 2 hrs.
  - k. M0000 Fire Control 1 hr.
  - l. N0000 Loss Control 2 hr.
  - m. CC0000 Drivers Training 1 hr.
  - n. FF0000 Incident Command 2 hrs.
  - o. P0001 CPR/AED 3 hrs.
  - p. P0021 First-Aid 3hrs



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**Note:** These requirements will be reviewed and re-evaluated by the Education and Eligibility Committee as needed or upon request.

**IMPORTANT LIABILITY INFORMATION:** It is important to remember that any deviation from these training specifications could result in departmental or personal liability. The Fire Commission does not, and shall not, approve participation of any JRFF's in any activities that fall outside these guidelines. The Fire Commission does not, shall not, and cannot waive any sovereign immunity enjoyed as a result of its status as a state agency for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



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**Edgewood Fire/EMS Department**  
**Rules and Regulations**

1. All parents or legal guardians will be required to read and sign these Junior Firefighter rules and regulations.
2. A copy of the Junior Firefighters report card must be presented to the post advisor at the end of each grading period. Failure to maintain at least a “C” average will result in suspension from the program until the end of the next grading period or signs of improvement have been given to the parent or legal guardian.
3. Curfew for Junior Firefighter on school nights is 10:00 PM. On weekends, holidays, or non-school nights, the curfew is 11:00 PM.
4. Junior Firefighters will not have the combination to the building. Junior Firefighters are only permitted in the building when two or more department members are present.
5. Smoking or the use of smokeless tobacco is strictly prohibited.
6. The use of drugs and alcohol are strictly prohibited.
7. Horseplay inside the firehouse, on the fire ground, or at any department function is prohibited.
8. Emergency response to the firehouse or to a fire scene is prohibited.
9. Junior Firefighters are not permitted to respond to the fire scene without authorization from the incident commander or his designate. Upon authorization the Junior Firefighters may be escorted to the scene by Edgewood Fire/EMS Department members while being transported in an Edgewood Fire/EMS Department vehicle.
10. Uniforms will be distributed on an as needed basis. The uniform consists of a department issued t-shirt, department issued blue uniform shirt, Junior Firefighter supplied blue pants, Junior Firefighter supplied black belt, and Junior Firefighter supplied black shoes or boots. A badge will be issued once the Junior Firefighter Coordinator completes the Incident Response Requirements.
11. Junior Firefighters are required to wear the uniform issued by the department at all training and special event functions. Appropriate attire is required at all recreational activities. All uniforms and items issued by the department remain the property of the department and will be returned when the Junior Firefighters leaves the department.



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12. Junior Firefighters shall not do any training, maintenance, or repairs to any equipment or the building without the supervision of a firefighter.
13. Junior Firefighters are also expected to abide by all rules and regulations of the Edgewood Fire/EMS Department as established for regular members.
14. Any violation of the above rules will result in suspension or termination of the Junior Firefighter. In addition, a Junior Firefighter may be suspended for following reasons:
  - a. Poor performance or discipline at school;
  - b. Conduct unbecoming of a Junior Firefighter;
  - c. Abuse of fire department grounds or property.

I have read and understand the above rules and agree to abide by them.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Junior Firefighter Program Confidentiality Agreement**

As a member of the Edgewood Fire/EMS Junior Firefighter Program, I may have the opportunity to observe members of the fire department and emergency medical services in the performance of their official duties. During these runs and station activities, I understand that I must adhere to the strict confidentiality requirements in order to protect the privacy of patients under the care of EMS personnel and victims of fire. This confidentiality includes discussing the runs with my parents, peers, news media, etc. who are not members of the department.

I understand that the potential exists for me to observe emergency calls involving persons of any age and that I may encounter classmates or other people I know. I understand that I will be immediately dismissed from the post if this policy is violated. I further understand that I may at any time discuss concerns or questions with the department personnel directly involved with the run, any department officer or the Junior Firefighter advisor. I also understand that resources may be available to assist me after a call of particular significance, if needed.

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Junior Firefighter Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Junior Firefighter Applicant Name (Printed)

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Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fire Chief Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date