



WADING RIVER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

4.3.1 District Vehicle Policy

OBJECTIVE:

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Wading River Fire District may provide the use of District vehicles. In order to control and monitor the use of the District's property, the Board of Commissioners ("Board") has adopted the following rules and regulations relative to the use of the district vehicle.

POLICY:

- a) The district vehicle shall be driven only by the authorized employee/volunteer member and other such members of the Wading River Fire Department as authorized by the Board of Fire Commissioners. Only the members of the department who have a valid New York state driver's license may be authorized to drive the district vehicle. Family members are not permitted to drive district vehicles.
- b) Non-members of the Wading River Fire Department are not permitted to ride in the district vehicle without approval of the Board.
- c) A member less than 21 years old can operate a district vehicle for training / non-emergency use only.
- d) A member must be over the age of 21 to operate an emergency vehicle in emergency mode.
- e) The district vehicle is to be used primarily to transport personnel to alarms, parades drills, training sessions, inspections, funeral details or other activities as may be approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners.
- f) The district vehicle may not be used by any authorized personnel while engaged in any commercial activity (i.e., by salesman, contractors, etc.) whether within or without the Fire District.
- g) The authorized user of the district vehicle shall be responsible for the physical appearance of the assigned vehicle. The user of the vehicle shall be responsible for reporting any damage to the vehicle both prior to and after use of the vehicle.
- h) The vehicle shall be regularly scheduled for service checks in compliance with the suggested maintenance requirements of the manufacturer.
- i) The district shall bear the expense of the maintenance repairs, cost of registration and inspections.
- j) The District Manager shall keep an accurate account of the service history. Said account shall be in the form of a service log.
- k) Seat belts are required for all passengers at all times in the vehicle.

- l) No political or commercial signs shall be displayed on the vehicle. Any type of sticker is prohibited unless authorized by the district.
- m) Any user of the district vehicle shall at all times fully comply with all New York State emergency and non-emergency driving laws and regulations including all those contained in the Vehicle and Traffic, and Penal Laws of the State of New York.
- n) Any user of the district vehicle shall at all times be cognizant of the fact that they are identifiable as employee/volunteer member and the driver of a vehicle belonging to the Wading River Fire District.
- o) With respect to 6-3-90, the Commissioner on duty shall use and operate the vehicle as the Board deems appropriate.
- p) A violation of any of the rules and regulations as set out above may result in the loss of the privilege to use or operate the district vehicle. A violation of the rules and regulations once brought to the attention of the Board shall be acted upon by them within 30 days of notification and may result in the loss of the privilege to operate the vehicle by the person who violated the rule and/or regulation

RELATED POLICIES

- 1.2 Whistle Blower Policy
- 1.12 Disciplinary Procedure Policy
- 4.4 Seatbelt Policy
- 4.5 Driver's License Policy

Adopted by the Wading River Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners on Monday, 02/27/2023.

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