

BX-SWAN LAKE FIRE RESCUE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

ACCURATE AND LEGIBLE COMPLETION OF THIS APPLICATION FORM IS THE FIRST STEP IN THE DEPARTMENT'S SCREENING PROCESS.

INCOMPLETE OR INACCURATE APPLICATIONS WILL **NOT** BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE SUPPLY ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

THE NATURE OF THE FIRE – RESCUE SERVICE

The fire and rescue service is one of the most diverse and challenging professions known today – it is also one of the fastest evolving professions. What started out as a bucket brigade to put out fires, has evolved into a group of highly skilled professionals, both volunteer and career, whose mission ranges from extinguishing fires to provision of emergency medical and rescue services to fire prevention activities to dealing with hazardous materials incidents.

The member's services may be required any time, day or night, in any kind of weather, and normally under potentially stressful and emotional circumstances. These factors contribute to the profession being personally very rewarding, especially when all our training and skill building pays off in a successful rescue, a saved life, or a fire contained to limit property damage.

As fire fighters, our primary goal is to protect the public and to protect property. This is accomplished by:

1. Preventing fire emergencies from occurring. This is done through fire prevention and fire safety education.
2. By continually training and maintaining our skills so that we are prepared when the call for assistance comes. This is also done through continuing education, pre-incident planning, and maintaining our state of the art equipment.

The fire and rescue services is a “paramilitary profession” working in a “hurry up and wait” environment. The service is not for everyone. You need courage and dedication, assertiveness, and a willingness to learn new skills and face new challenges. You must be able to control your emotions during times of crisis. Our work is often hot, sweaty, dirty, and strenuous, and is often performed in uncertain and hazardous environments.

The personal rewards and satisfaction received from the fire and rescue services are often beyond description. There is a sense of accomplishment after controlling a building fire, joy and elation after a successful rescue, and compassion for accident victims. Add to this the new friends you will make throughout your career. The list goes on.

The bottom line in the fire and rescue business is measured by the loss of life, pain and suffering, and property damage we have prevented and reduced. We exist and are prepared for one reason only: to provide service to our community.

If you feel that you have what it takes to meet the challenges of our business, we welcome you to join us.

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Personal information:

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Initial)

Address: _____
(House #) (Street) (Postal Code)

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____
(Y) (M) (D)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

S.I.N. _____ D.L. _____ Class: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Marital Status: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Personal Health Number: _____ Blood Type: _____

Date of Last Physical Exam: _____ Physician: _____

Any physical disabilities or allergies that may affect your ability to be a fire fighter:

Do you have your own personal vehicle for transportation: Yes: ____ No: ____

Education:

Have you completed any post secondary, vocational, or trade training?

Yes: _____ No: _____ Dates: _____ Location: _____

Subject, degree, or qualification: _____

Any additional qualifications or courses: _____

Last Secondary School grade completed: _____ Date: _____

Name and location of Secondary School: _____

Previous fire fighting experience:

Please list any previous fire fighting experience and location, or other experience that may benefit operation of the department:

Please list any first-aid certificates and expiry dates and/or previous first-aid experience:

Driving record:

Please list any driving offences that you have been convicted of including date and location:

Criminal record:

Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence?

Sports, hobbies and other interests:

Please list all sports and other hobbies that you participate in:

Call out availability:

As a member, you would be expected to attend all calls when available. You would also be expected to attend training sessions every Tuesday night, and other training as applicable.

Do you work in the Vernon area: _____ regular work hours: _____

Are you a shift worker: _____ Type of shift worked: _____

Would your employer permit you to attend calls during your normal working

hours: _____ Employer's Signature: _____

Character references:

Please list three character references (name and phone number) not related to you:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Why do you think that you would be an asset to the BX-Swan Lake Fire Department?

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act. The information will be used for the purpose of determining your suitability to be a member of the BX-Swan Lake Fire Department. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, please contact one of the Chiefs at 250-545-7432.

I, the undersigned, hereby apply to become a member of the BX–Swan Lake Fire Department. If accepted I agree to undertake and perform such duties as may be assigned to me by the Fire Chief, or his delegated representative in authority of the BX–Swan Lake Fire Department.

I verify that the information contained on this application form is true and accurate. I hereby give consent to the BX–Swan Lake Fire Department to conduct verification of the information provided, as required.

SIGNED: _____ **DATE:** _____