HISTORY

The Office of the State Fire Commissioner (OSFC) was established in 1976, reorganized in 1981, and currently operates under The Fire Commissioner Act, Act 61 of 1995. Title 35 Health & Safety: chapter 73, section 7383 State Fire Commissioner and chapter 74 Volunteer Firefighter provide more detailed information regarding the Office of the State Fire Commissioner.

Per title 35 the State Fire Commissioner is the primary representative for the fire service in the Commonwealth and has a multitude of duties and responsibilities under this legislation.

The duties and responsibilities include the administration of the State Fire Academy (resident, academy on the road, alternative energy training programs), Loan Assistance Program, Fire and EMS Grants, Recruitment and Retention, PennFIRS Reporting, Firefighter Relief program, Junior Firefighters, Public Education program, Health and Wellness, Line of Duty Death (LODD), Professional Qualifications testing, delivery of local level training through various venues, in collaboration with the Educational Training Agencies (ETA’s) and PA weekend at the National Fire Academy.

Mission: Ensure a modern customer-focused delivery system to support PA Fire and Emergency Services in the areas of training, community education, finance, policy, planning and sustainment using technology, multi-agency collaboration, leadership, and research.

LOCATION AND INFORMATION

OSFC has two locations

Administrative Office—Harrisburg, PA

Training Division—Lewistown, PA

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