

MIDDLETOWN FIRE COMPANY NO. 1
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES – CADET FIREFIGHTER

A “Cadet” Firefighter is defined as a member of the Fire Company who is at least 14 years of age and who has not reached their 16th birthday.

Cadet Firefighters must abide by all safety and health standards, rules, regulations, bylaws, standard operating procedures, house rules, other appropriate regulations and all lawful directives of the officers of the Middletown Fire Company No. 1 and the child labor laws of the State of Pennsylvania.

The following rules apply to all Cadet Firefighters:

1. Middletown Township residents will have first priority in the Cadet Program (under 16 years of age).
2. All Cadet Firefighters must abide by the time restrictions as outlined in the child labor laws.
3. No keys to the fire station will be issued to a Cadet. Cadet Firefighters are not allowed in the building unsupervised except during the time of an alarm.
4. Cadets will only be issued pagers based on availability and active status.
5. Riding Requirements:
 - 50-1: Cadets are not permitted to ride on the rear of this unit except during parades.
 - 50-2: Cadets may ride in the non-airpack equipped seats only if space is available.
 - TSQ50: Cadets may ride in the non-airpack equipped seats only if space is available.
 - 50-4: Cadets may ride in the rear of the unit only if space is available.
6. Mentor Program – Cadets will be assigned a senior firefighter as a member to work with them and act as their advocate. The mentor will be assigned by and under the direction of the Chief Officers.
7. There may be a time that there will not be adequate seating on the trucks and a Cadet may have to remain in the station. Cadets may be required to yield their position on the first out unit to a senior firefighter.
8. Cadets will be required to maintain at least a “C” average during the school year. Cadets will be suspended for the duration of the next marking period if this average is not maintained. Cadets will be reinstated when their grade point average returns to an acceptable level.
9. If any disciplinary problems occur, the Cadet’s parents or guardian will be notified immediately by the Chief or President of the Fire Company.

I have read and understand the rules, regulations, standard operating procedures and the child labor laws attached hereto.

Applicant: _____ Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____