

<b>Campbell County Fire Department</b> <b>Policy</b>		
Support Operations	Cadet Program: Incident Response	<i>800.12</i>

**I. PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to provide the guidance for Cadet participation in response to incidents.

**II. SCOPE:**

This policy applies to all Cadets participating in the CCFD Cadet program.

**III. POLICY:**

1. The following applies to all Cadets ages 14-17.

1.1 All transportation and supervision of Cadets must have:

1.1.1. Two adults and any number of Cadets or

1.1.2. One adult and two or more Cadets

1.1.3. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who are also CCFD firefighters may transport their Cadet son(s) or daughter(s) on a "one-on-one" basis. Parents or legal guardians may designate a relative who is a CCFD firefighter to transport their Cadet son or daughter with a prior written consent form.

1.2. Cadets in good standing may ride on an Engine or Truck as the fourth or fifth rider at any manned Fire Station. They also may ride in command units, tenders, or any other support vehicle with the following stipulations:

1.2.1. Cadets may ride during the hours of 0600 to 2200 hours, seven days a week.

1.2.2. The company officer gives approval.

1.2.3. The cadet has appropriate personal protective gear (i.e. hard hat, Nomex jacket, safety glasses, gloves, and boots.)

1.2.4. There is an available seat. Firefighters have priority over Cadets in all cases.

1.2.5. The parent or legal guardian of a cadet has given written permission.

1.2.6. The number of Cadets allowed to ride on the apparatus will be at the discretion of the Engineer or driver.

1.3. On scene activities for Cadets will be restricted as follows:

1.3.1. Cadets will not be allowed to perform initial attack operations on any scene.

1.3.2. Cadets may only participate in support operations. Support operations include activities that are performed in the cold or warm zone of a scene and include staging, water supply, establishing scene privacy, mop-up, meal delivery, cleanup, and any other such operations.

1.3.3. Cadets may stay overnight in base camps for extended mop up and other operations the following day. The Incident Commander will ensure proper supervision and separation if necessary. Cadets will be allowed to stay on fires unless school or other family activities require them to return home.

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- 1.4. Cadets may stay overnight if that cadet's parent or legal guardian has given written permission.
- 1.5. Cadets must wear full protective gear in order to participate in support operations. This will include, but is not limited to a hard hat, eye protection, gloves, and work boots. For Wildland calls additional gear will include the same as above plus a Nomex long sleeved shirt, Nomex pants, a wild land pack with a fire shelter, and ear protection.
- 1.6. Cadets will not be permitted to respond by Privately Owned Vehicle to any emergency scene, regardless of their proximity to the scene.
- 1.7. Cadets will not be allowed:
  - 1.7.1. To use power tools on any scene
  - 1.7.2. To carry or use fuses or any other backfiring devices
  - 1.7.3. To be subjected to any IDLH (immediately dangerous to life and health) environment.
2. The following apply to Cadets ages 16 and 17.
  - 2.1. May ride as a third rider on Grass and Brush Trucks during Wildland season provided there is an open seat. Cadets riding in this capacity must remain in the cab of the truck until such time as they can be placed in a safe, supervised area during initial attack. Cadets may not participate in suppression activities.
  - 2.2. From June 1<sup>st</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup> CCFD will hire up to two Cadets as temporary full time employees to assist the Wildland Crew in their daily duties. The hours of operation are from 0900 until 1700 hours Monday thru Friday. These hours may be extended in the event of a Wildland fire.

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Parental permission to ride along on the following vehicles:

Engines, trucks, command vehicles, tenders, or support units.

I \_\_\_\_\_ grant my son/daughter Cadet \_\_\_\_\_

permission to ride as a Cadet on CCFD apparatus and support units in the event of a response to an emergency scene or Wildland fire.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cadet Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
CCFD Chief or CCFD Division Chief

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Date

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Parental permission to stay overnight on a Wildland fire:

I \_\_\_\_\_ grant my son/daughter Cadet \_\_\_\_\_

permission to stay overnight on a Wildland fire for further mop-up the following day. The IC has ultimate decision on whether a cadet will stay overnight or be released from the fire.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cadet Coordinator

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Date

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I \_\_\_\_\_ grant permission for Cadet \_\_\_\_\_  
To be transported on a "one-on-one" basis by the following relative(s) who are also CCFD  
firefighters.

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Parent/Guardian

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Date

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