



ROCKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

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WELCOME TO THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND!!!

The Rockland Fire Department welcomes you to this great town and would like to share some information with you.

The Rockland Fire Department is a career department staffed by 32 personnel. The fire station, located at 360 Union Street, is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with highly trained firefighters who are also cross trained as emergency medical technicians and paramedics. The Rockland Fire Department is responsible for responding to structure fires, woodland fires, motor vehicle accidents, emergency medical incidents, hazardous material release incidents, and technical rescue emergencies. We also operate an Advanced Life Support Ambulance (Paramedic Level) and transport to the major hospitals within this area. While these are major incidents that we often respond to, we also assist the public and residents of Rockland with other "minor" needs. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any problem you may have, no matter how minor you may think it is. We are here for you!

We are a very busy fire department and often rely on off-duty firefighters and neighboring community fire departments to assist us. When additional manpower is needed or if there is a large fire you may hear our roof horn sounding. The roof horn located on top of the fire station is a loud horn that will blast to alert department members that their assistance is needed. Please do not be alarmed when you hear this horn! It is NOT used to warn residents of any impending disaster or weather event.

We want you to enjoy living in Rockland and we want you to be safe.

- Wear your seat belt while driving/riding.
- Wear helmets while biking, using scooters, and skateboarding.
- Replace the batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors twice a year and test your detectors monthly.
- Never leave candles unattended, especially when children are around.
- Dispose of cigarettes and smoking materials appropriately.

The burning of brush and yard waste is only allowed January 15th through May 1st of each year. It is illegal to burn leaves in the State of Massachusetts. A PERMIT is required to burn outdoors and can be obtained at the Rockland Fire Station. Campfires, chimineas, and fire pits can be utilized without a permit but with the following restrictions:

- Only split wood can be burned - DO NOT BURN PLASTICS, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, OR TREATED LUMBER.
- Fires must be contained in a fire pit or some type of vessel designed for the purpose (chiminea).
- A hose (connected to a water supply) must be nearby and ready for use.
- Fires must be greater than 25 feet from any building, structure or fence.

We look forward to meeting you! If you have children, please bring them along to see the fire trucks, sit in the trucks, and meet the firefighters. Remember, we are YOUR fire department! We are here for you!

Welcome!

Scott F. Duffey
Chief of Department