# **Understanding New York State Fire**

# and EMS LOSAP Program Point

System Compliance .....

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# LOSAP PROGRAM

# POINT SYSTEM

# COMPLIANCE





#### POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE

The General Municipal Law provisions for awarding LOSAP points are located in <u>Section 217 entitled General Requirements of a Service</u> <u>Award Program</u>

Point System can be summarized as follows:

• Participation in Department responses:

25 points for meeting the minimum number of calls based on a percentage of the total number of calls the department responds to annually

- 25 points for Fire calls (i.e., all calls "other than emergency rescue and first aid squads calls – ambulance calls).
- 25 points for EMS calls (emergency rescue and first aid squad calls ambulance calls)



#### POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE

#### Participation in Department responses (continued):

The number of response points that a firefighter or EMS volunteer are required to make can not be altered , they must be set at 25 points for each type of call.

#### Minimum # of responses

• Is dependent upon the # of calls the sponsors fire department responds to annually:

500 or fewer	10 %	50 responses
500 – 1,000	7.5 %	37–75 responses
1,000 – 1,500	5 %	76–113 responses
1,500 and up	2.5 %	114 and up



## POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE

- Training Courses: 25 points maximum
  - Courses under 20 hours duration: one point per hour, maximum of five points
  - Courses 20-45 hours duration; one point per hour for each hour over the initial hours, maximum of 10 points
  - Courses over 45 hours to 100 hours duration; 15 points per course
  - Courses over 100 hours duration; 25 points per course
- **<u>Drills:</u>** One point per drill
  - Minimum two hour drill
  - 20 points maximum



# POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE continued

<u>Sleep-ins and stand-bys:</u> One point per each qualifying event, 20 points maximum.

Sleep-in 1 point for each full night.

Stand-by – 1 point each, defined as a Line of Duty activity of a volunteer company lasting 4 hours and not falling into any other category.

- <u>Elected or appointed positions</u>: 25 points maximum for a year in the position.
  - Definition: Line officers, Department or Company Officers and President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary of a Company or Department (Definitions found in Section 215)
  - Completion of a 1 year term in a elected or appointed position
  - If position starts during the month of May, gets credit for a full year
  - Active firefighter elected to serve a delegate to a convention 1 point each meeting



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# **POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE continued**

- <u>Meetings</u>: One point per meeting for attending official fire company meetings, 20 points maximum.
- <u>Miscellaneous activities:</u> One point per activity for inspections and other activities covered by New York Volunteer Firefighters Benefit Law and not otherwise listed, 15 points maximum. (i.e., Parades are considered a misc. activity).
- **Disability:** Five points per month for certain line of duty disabilities. Disability – either totally and temporarily disabled or partially and permanently disabled as certified by Workers Compensation or an other competent authority approved by the Board.

Disability must occur during the course of service as a volunteer.



# **POINT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE continued**

- Teaching fire prevention courses: One point per class, maximum of five points.
- Firefighter who at the direction of his Company, District or Department and for no pay, presents a public education class on fire prevention to a school, not for profit corporation or civic organization – 1 point per class.

## **Military Service**

Full time extended obligatory military service or by a single voluntary enlistment (not to exceed 4 years) is considered on military level – firefighter gets 50 points a year or a prorated amount.

## **Forfeiture of Benefits**

An arson conviction forfeits all past and future benefits







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