

WESTBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP

Application for membership shall be presented in writing on a form provided for such purpose by the Board of Fire Commissioners and filed in accordance with the by-laws of the Company to which application is made.

An applicant must be at the time of swearing in, be a person not under the age of 18 years, OR THE AGE OF 17 WITH A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) YEAR IN THE WFD JUNIORS PROGRAM. Applicant must be a Citizen of the United States: OR A PERMANENT RESIDENT GREEN CARD HOLDER; Must have a valid New York State Driver's License, Class 5 or higher, and must provide proof thereof at the time of application; Must have a high school diploma or a high school equivalency diploma and must provide proof thereof at the time of application; must not have been expelled by any other Company or Department nor have been convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude. His or her character must be such that it will not bring the Department into disrepute. Each applicant for membership must have a doctor's certificate proving the applicant is physically capable of performing firematic duties, expense of the certificate to be paid for by the Fire District. If and in the event an applicant for membership shall, after his physical examination, be found to be physically unacceptable to perform firematic duties, said applicant shall not be eligible to reapply for membership for six (6) months from the date of said medical determination. The election of an applicant to membership in any Company shall be in accordance with the By-Laws of the respective Company.

MEMBERSHIP AT SEVENTEEN (17) YEARS OF AGE:

Members of the Westbury Fire Department Juniors Program, having a minimum of one (1) year of Junior Membership, are allowed to join the Westbury Fire Department at the age of seventeen (17).

These 17 year-old members will be required to fulfill a Westbury Fire Department Probationary Period. Said member must comply with all requirements as a "New Active Firefighter".

To be eligible to join the Westbury Fire Department at seventeen (17) years of age, the Junior must have the following and/or be in compliance with:

- A valid New York State Driver's License
- Parents' permission to join the Westbury Fire Department at 17 years of age.
- A pending High School Diploma
- Meet all requirements as a "New Active Firefighter".

17 YEAR OLD MEMBERS STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Will not respond to alarms 10 PM to 3 PM, Sunday to Friday until the end of each school day. (Excludes holidays, all school breaks and weekends)
2. Will be on probation until they graduate High School.
3. Must submit their school report cards for review to:
 - A. Company Officers
 - B. Chief's Office
4. Non-passing grades may be considered for actions as determined solely by the Chief's Office.

An applicant for membership, who has served five (5) years in another Department, either volunteer or paid, shall not be required to serve a probationary period with the exception of the policy covering probationary drills which must be adhered to.

Any person who was previously a member of the Westbury Fire Department shall be eligible to reapply to the Department of the following terms and conditions:

- a. That he/she has resigned from the Westbury Fire Department in good standing.
- b. If he/she did not resign from the Westbury Fire Department, but was dropped from the rolls, that the reason for his/her being dropped from the rolls did not include any of the following:
 1. Results of a Departmental or Fire District Disciplinary Hearing (A disciplinary hearing for failure to meet Department quotas shall not be considered grounds to exclude an applicant from reapplying under this section.)
 2. Outstanding Departmental charges involving matters of moral turpitude, illegal or quasi-illegal conduct which the applicant refused to defend.

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