

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

1. **Must be a resident of or work** in the McQueeney Response area for at least 3 months.
(This requirement may be waived for special situations by membership vote)
2. Must have 2 members in good standing act as sponsors.
3. **Good Moral Character:** A driving record and criminal history report are required. Applicant must request their own **DPS Type 3 driving record** at WWW.Texas.gov (It can be printed immediately for a cost of about \$12.00) and present it to membership committee preferably before **membership vote**, but no later than 4 weeks of becoming a member. You also authorize the fire department to run a criminal history report by signature below.
4. **At least 18 years of age for full membership.**
5. **A restricted Junior membership** is available for 14 to 17 year olds.
6. **Six month probationary period.** Before being allowed to respond to calls, these online classes must be successfully completed (with certificates turned in to the fire department): Courage to be Safe (www.everyonegoeshome.com), and the ICS-100, ICS-200, ICS-700 and ICS-800 courses (<https://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/icsresource/trainingmaterials.htm>).
7. **No experience needed. We will pay for all training and furnish all necessary equipment.** In-house training weekly plus many area schools available on weekends. Also a week long school in July is available at the world renowned Emergency Services Training Institute at Texas A&M University, in College Station.
8. **Attendance requirements:** We meet every Monday evening at 7:00 PM. The first Monday is our monthly business meeting, the second and third Mondays are training/drills and the fourth Monday is a maintenance night. Probationary members are expected to attend all of them to learn about the department. **A 67% attendance** is required to maintain membership in good standing. After probationary period, excused absences are allowed. **There is no attendance requirement for emergency calls.** Active supporting members do not have an attendance requirement.
9. **Time commitment:** at least 2 hours per week for meetings and drills. Other functions and emergency calls may average about 2 hours per week.
10. **Availability:** We are on call 24 hours per day, 7 days per week and respond to a variety of emergencies. Because we are volunteers, members respond whenever they can. We do not want you to jeopardize your regular job or your income but encourage you to respond to as many calls as you can.

BENEFITS WE OFFER

1. **An opportunity to serve your community.**
2. **Workers Compensation Insurance,**
3. **Accidental death and disability insurance**
4. **Personal & Departmental liability insurance on all members**
5. **Free training on fire fighting and emergency response topics.**
6. **Social events at no cost:**
 - **A department social gathering for members and their families** is held about every third month to show appreciation of the family's understanding and to better get to know each other.
 - Annual County Firefighters association Banquet
 - State & regional conventions if interested.

I have read and understand the above requirements & benefits and authorize the background check:

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____