

BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT - TRAINING DIVISION

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MONTHLY TRAINING REPORT

January 2021

Training in January was face piece fit testing for all fire department personnel. Annual fit testing is required by the OSHA 1910.134 standard. The test is to ensure that all employees have a proper seal between their SCBA mask and their face. The testing is performed using an OHD Quantifit system which reads the amount of air that may enter the SCOTT AV 3000 face piece during the test utilizing the SCBA protocol. The test consists of different exercises and they are as follows: normal breathing, horizontal position, shaking the head side to side while talking, and re-donning face piece procedure repeated two times. Personnel from the fire prevention office are test to the SCBA procedure along with Redon procedure for 3M particulate half masks.

Bristol Fire department has two new recruits starting on 1/25 for department orientation and training. Recruit C. Richardson and Recruit J. Miller will be attending Connecticut Fire Academy Recruit class 67 starting 2/1. This recruit class will begin with 1 month of virtual learning presentations at Station 4 training classroom. Recruits will also have to perform an hour of physical training each morning. The recruits were trained on operation of Scott 4.5 air pack and proper filling procedure for air bottles using the cascade system at Station 4. Both recruits completed a class on department radios and proper operation of the radio, radio fleet maps and emergency call button. Station uniform fitting and personal protective gear fitting was completed during the orientation period.

Additional training for the month consisted of N-95 fit testing for remaining personnel. Bristol central dispatcher training was conducted on 1/20 for newly hired dispatcher. A Covid-19 vaccine clinic was held at Station 4 on 1/21 for personnel of BFD for administering second dose of the Moderna vaccine. A progress review of the 2018 AFG grant closeout was conducted during the month at Station 4. Mayor E. Zoppo, Grant administrator D. Ledger, DC. M. Martin, DC. R. Poggio and Sr. Capt. J. Blaschke were in attendance. A closeout of the 2018 grant for courses completed was discussed along with additional certification opportunity for the remaining funds.

I responded to 3 incidents during the month as safety officer.

Seminars/Meetings/Classes

- 1/4 EMT webinar
- 1/4 Covid-19 supplies, Home depot
- 1/5 Zoom meeting emergency management
- 1/20 Dispatcher training
- 1/21 Covid-19 clinic , station 4
- AFG grant review, station 4

Vehicle report

- 25.0 gallons fuel

Respectfully submitted,

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