

Subject:	WATER RESCUE OPERATIONS TRAINING
Section:	PPG# 4600.3
Chapter:	Operations
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1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 McLane Black Lake Fire Department shall ensure all operations response personnel are adequately trained to respond to water based incidents.
- 1.2 All operations response and EMS personnel will receive initial awareness and operations level training.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 The Training Officer shall ensure all District personnel receive training as specified in this PPG.
- 2.2 The Boat Operator is responsible for scheduling their biannual proficiency training. Training should be scheduled through the shift Captain providing at least 30 days notice. Mid-year proficiency skills may be performed at the dock without taking the boat out onto the lake.

3.0 GUIDELINES

- 3.1 **Annual Requirement for all members.**
- Review the district water rescue policy and procedures.
 - Deploy throw bags.
 - Deploy an inflated hose boom with a toss ring.
 - Review shore based ice rescue techniques.
- 3.2 **Boat Operations Training**
- Complete the Washington State Boater Safety Course
 - Complete Water Rescue Awareness, Safety & Survival and Shore Based Training.
 - Complete Boat Operations classroom session and hands-on practical with a department qualified Boat Operator instructor.

- d. Complete Boat Operations JPRs.
- e. Recertify as a Boat Operator by demonstrating proficiency once every six (6) months.

3.3 Deck Hand Training

- a. Deck Hands must complete the following training in addition to Awareness and Operations Training:
 - 1. Safety and survival
 - 2. Orientation to Boat 95 equipment locations and terminology
 - 3. Hands-on practical session with qualified Boat Operator.