

# Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association Station 76

## *Information Sheet*



The **Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association** (WVFA) is a nonprofit volunteer organization whose purpose is to provide emergency services to the Town of Woodstock. The WVFA is made up of people who live or work in the WVFA Fire District who have chosen to perform community service by volunteering as a Firefighter, Rescue Team Member, Fire Police, Medical Technician, or Support Team member.

The WVFA has contracted with the Town of Woodstock to provide fire protection services for the WVFA Fire District and to provide ambulance service for the entire town of Woodstock. The WVFA Fire District primarily serves the South and Southeastern sections of Woodstock including Woodstock Hill.

WVFA actually contains several groups - the WVFA Firefighters, the WVFA Search and Rescue Team, the Woodstock Emergency Medical Service (WEMS) and the WVFA Support Team. The WVFA provides the organizational and financial framework within which each of these groups operates.

The **WVFA Firefighters** are the largest group within the organization. The Firefighters respond to all types of fires, to automobile accidents, to searches, they assist in water rescues, and assist in medical calls. The WVFA Firefighters also have their own Fire Police who provide traffic control at a fire scene.

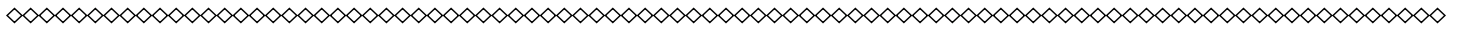
The **WVFA Search and Rescue Team** is primarily responsible for carrying out water rescue. It is staffed by firefighters and SCUBA divers from all three fire departments in town.

The **Woodstock Emergency Medical Service** (WEMS) is the group within the WVFA that provides response in time of medical emergencies. It provides two levels of emergency care. "First Responders" are MRT's (Medical Response Technicians) and EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians) who respond directly to the scene of an emergency to render immediate life support for critical emergencies until the ambulance arrives. The second level of support is provided by the ambulance personnel from the scene of the emergency to the hospital. WEMS is also a participant in Northeastern Connecticut's Paramedic Intercept Program. The 911 Dispatcher or WEMS personnel on the scene can request that the Paramedic "intercept" the ambulance to provide advanced care for critically ill patients prior to reaching the hospital. In some emergencies WEMS calls in Life Flight (Worcester) or Life Star (Hartford) Helicopters.

The **WVFA Support Team** members provide support services (such as refreshments) to the other groups during emergencies. Since this group is very new, its functions are expanding as needs are identified.

# Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association Station 76 *Questionnaire*

1. – Can you attend Association meetings on a regular basis?
2. – Can you attend Fire and/or EMS drills on a regular basis?
3. – Have you ever been a member of another Fire or EMS organization? *(Please include the name.)*
4. – Did you hold any office in that fire or EMS organization? *(Please include your title.)*
5. – Do you hold a current Firefighter, Emergency Medical or diver certification? *(Please indicate the level of certification and date of expiration if any. Also include any current Instructor qualifications, i.e., CPR, First Aid, etc.).*



The following questions are for background purposes only and will not affect your application for membership in the WVFA:

1. – How did you hear about the WVFA?
2. – Are you currently immunized for Hepatitis-B?
3. – Are you aware of any physical deficit or psychological challenge that might hinder your performance as an Emergency Responder? *(This question is meant to define your limits - not to disqualify you from active Fire/EMS service. Examples: poor eye sight, hypertension, fear of heights, claustrophobia, etc.).*
4. – Do you have heavy truck or equipment experience?
5. – Do you have a valid CDL (Commercial Driver's License)?
6. – Can you actively serve on Association committees? *(Please indicate your area of interest).*

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## Membership Application

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in:  Association  Fire  EMS  Divers  Fire Police  Support Team

Who do we notify in case of emergency:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING AND SIGN WHERE INDICATED

1. – If accepted for membership, I agree to adhere to the By-laws, rules and regulations of the WVFA (Woodstock Vol. Fire Association).
2. – I understand that if my membership application is approved, I will be a probationary member for six months (180 days), that the probationary period begins when I am accepted for membership by the association, and that the WVFA has the right to terminate my membership during the probationary period for any reason.
3. – I understand that I will be required to take periodic physical examinations to determine my fitness for Emergency Service.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION TO:**  
**WVFA Station 76 Membership P.O. Box 222, South Woodstock, CT 06267**

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

Presented to the WVFA President: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Interviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended for Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No

Presented to the Membership: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Vote: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  Accepted  Rejected  Candidate Notified: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_