

FIRE DEPARTMENT • CITY OF NEW YORK

Department Order No. 107

December 9, 2008



1.1 With regret, the Department announces the death of retired Captain *Raymond Burke* appointed June 19, 1951, retired January 31, 1978, formerly of D-7, residing in Clearwater, FL, which occurred on October 25, 2008.

1.2 With regret, the Department announces the death of retired Lieutenant *Alexander Leznowitz* appointed December 16, 1942, retired September 30, 1975, formerly of M-5, residing in Deerfield Beach, FL, which occurred on October 25, 2008.

1.3 With regret, the Department announces the death of retired Firefighter *John P. Pendola* appointed July 25, 1959, retired July 25, 1994, formerly of D.O. 8, residing in Staten Island, NY, which occurred on October 25, 2008.

1.4 With regret, the Department announces the death of retired Fire Marshal *Richard A. Morgenthaler* appointed May 21, 1960, retired March 21, 1997, formerly of BFI, residing in Patterson, NY, which occurred on October 26, 2008.

1.5 With regret, the Department announces the death of retired Firefighter *Stephen A. Albanese* appointed January 1, 1953, retired April 7, 1972, formerly of L-147, residing in Brooklyn, NY, which occurred on December 6, 2008.

2.1

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

It is important that all members be reminded of the Department's policy regarding alcoholic beverages. Department policy regarding alcoholic beverages is clearly specified in Section 25.1.5 of the Regulations and in All Units Circular 202. The prohibition against members consuming alcoholic beverages while on duty or reporting for duty under the influence of an intoxicating beverage is clear and unequivocal. Equally explicit is the responsibility of Officers on duty to enforce Department Regulations and related policies concerning alcoholic beverages. It must be understood that all alcoholic beverages must be excluded from quarters at all times. Their presence for any purpose is prohibited at all times.

The Fire Commissioner and the Chief of Department consider any violation of Section 25.1.5 and/or AUC 202 an extremely serious offense. Accordingly, any member who commits such a violation and any Chief or Company Officer that fails to take appropriate action when such offenses occur shall be the subject of disciplinary action which may result in termination.

This section shall be read at all roll calls for five calendar days following the date of receipt of this order.

2.2

26th ANNUAL CITY HARVEST CANNED FOOD DRIVE

The Fire Department is proud to once again participate in the Annual City Harvest Canned Food Campaign. This is the Department's 26th year supporting this very worthwhile drive. The Fire Commissioner, Police Commissioner and others participated in the drive kick-off on Thursday, November 20th at the quarters of Battalion 1, 100 Duane St., Manhattan. The drive will continue until January 9, 2009. Last year, New Yorkers donated over 350 tons of food to help feed the homeless, the elderly and the working poor.

<u>All firehouses have been designated as collection points for the public who wish to donate canned food.</u> Members should also expect schoolchildren to be bringing donations to the firehouses. A "City Harvest" flyer will be provided, and is to be placed in every firehouse in public view until January 9, 2009.

Call Brian Stern at 917-351-8745 (email: bstern@cityharvest.org) to arrange a pick-up date for City Harvest to collect the donations. City Harvest will have trucks available in all five boroughs. Their goal is to pick up within 48 hours.

- Food should be packed in boxes not to exceed 50 pounds.
- Please give one or two names as contacts for dispatchers and drivers. This will help to make hassle-free pick- ups.
- City Harvest will pick up all types of canned, dry packaged food. City Harvest does not accept food packaged in glass or perishable food, i.e., meat, fruit, dairy.

The Fire Department is proud to be participating once again in this worthwhile program, which throughout the year cares for those less fortunate.

AUC 273

AUC 273 Addendum 332 dated August 13, 2008; titled Epic Voice Amplifier, is amended as follows:

Under Date To Be Terminated: **Delete:** November 11, 2008 **Insert:** March 1, 2009

Affected page (Rev. 12/09/08) reflecting this change has been **issued** and forwarded to all Bureaus and Divisions for equal distribution to all units under their command, one to each unit.

2.4

REGULATIONS

Regulations, Chapter 21, dated January 1, 1997, titled *Roll Calls, Formations and Related Duties*, is **amended** as follows:

Delete: Funeral Formation Illustration

Insert: New Funeral Formation Illustration

Affected pages 11-12 (Rev. 12/09/08) reflecting this change have been **issued** and forwarded to all Bureaus and Divisions for equal distribution to all units under their command, one to each unit.

2.5

QUARTERMASTER CLOSING

The Quartermaster store at Fort Totten will be **closed** for business December 18 and 19, 2008 to size and outfit the new class of probationary hires. Bunker gear will be distributed on the days the Quartermaster is closed for emergency replacement only. The store will re-open for business on Monday, December 22, 2008. The satellite store on Randall's Island will maintain normal operations during this time with the exception of Friday, December 19, 2008 in which the store will close at 12:30pm.

2.6

PAYROLL AND CHECKS

The Bi-Weekly Payroll of December 12, 2008, includes:

- (1) Payment of overtime for the period of November 16, 2008 through November 29, 2008.
- (2) Uniform Allowance for eligible members in the UFOA, UFA, and MEBA titles effective July 1, 2008, who have completed 6 months service during the current Fiscal Year 09. Those who have not completed 6 months of service in the applicable title shall receive the allowance upon completion of 6 months service.
- (3) Increase in Night Shift Differential effective March 20, 2008 for eligible UFOA members (top increment only) due to contract reopener. Payment includes retroactive adjustments covering March 19, 2007 through November 22, 2008.

Inquiries may be submitted to the Bureau of Payroll in written form only.

2.7

MILITARY ACTIVATION

The following member is activated for military duty at 0900 hours on the date indicated:

Firefighter	Unit	Date
Brian Ferrera	L-18	12-08-08

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MILITARY ACTIVATION AND RETURN

The following members have been activated and returned from military duty at 0900 hours on the dates indicated:

Firefighter	Unit	Activation Date	Return from Activation
Charles R. Wasilewski	E-214	11-26-07	12-01-08
William Garcia	L-124	10-31-08	12-07-08

2.9

APPLICATION FOR VESTED RETIREMENT

The following members having submitted an application for Vested Rights Retirement have discontinued their service with the Fire Department at the completion of Accrued Leaves:

Lieutenant	Unit	Accrued Leave	Discontinuance of Service	Retirement Date
Gary A. Jacobson Jr. Firefighter	L-144	Declined	12-06-08	01-26-17
John P. Dimino	E157	Declined	12-06-08	07-15-10

By Order of: Nicholas Scoppetta, Fire Commissioner Salvatore J. Cassano, Chief of Department

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