



FIRE DEPARTMENT • CITY OF NEW YORK

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With regret, the Department announces the death of EMS Lt. *Redwin Y. Mendez*, PSAC 2 (appointed October 15, 1999), which occurred on October 30, 2022.

Funeral Service will take place from Westchester Funeral Home, 190 Main St., Eastchester, NY, on Saturday, November 5, 2022 followed by a Mass at 1100 hours at Asbury Crestwood United Methodist Church, 167 Scarsdale Rd., Tuckahoe, NY.



EMS Lt. Redwin Y. Mendez

Viewing Hours:

Friday, November 4, 2022

1400 Hours to 1600 Hours

and

1900 Hours to 2100 Hours

2.1

VETERANS DAY PARADE

The FDNY VFW Post 12033 invites all members of the Department, both active and retired who are Military Veterans and any Department member wishing to support our troops to march in the 2022 NYC Veterans Day Parade. We will be carrying 47 flags to honor the 47 FDNY Military Veterans who died on active duty since the inception of the Department. On Friday, November 11, 2022, at 1030 hours, participating members shall report in dress uniform to 5th Avenue between 24th and 26th Streets, Manhattan. If you have any questions, please contact FF Sam Erwin, Sq-18 at 919-270-1074.

2.2

NOTIFYING BHS OF SURGERY

Effective 11/7/2022, BHS will have an email dedicated to notifying BHS of a member's surgery. This will remove the need to call the clinic and speak with the nurses, also providing proof of notification. The member should call the automated sick leave number at 718-330-2204 and place themselves on medical leave for the day of surgery. Then the member should email BHSSURGERYNOTIFY@fdny.nyc.gov and include the following:

1. Full Name
2. Last 4 SSN (not Reference or Badge)
3. Surgery Date and Surgeon's Name
4. Best contact method to reach you (cell phone, house phone or email)

A BHS nurse or physician will contact you within 48 hours of receipt of your email for further guidance.

2.3

REQUESTS FORWARDED TO BUREAU OF PERSONNEL

Members are reminded that requests submitted to the Bureau of Personnel for Special Vacations, Emergency Leaves, Bereavement Leaves, etc., should be forwarded through the chain of command with required endorsements, and when necessary, proper and complete documentation. Faxed unendorsed copies will **not** be accepted.

2.4

CARRYOVER OF RSOT

Company, Battalion, and Division Commanders shall ensure that all requests for RSOT carryovers from 2021 are prepared and forwarded by January 31, 2022. All requests for carryovers must include the specific reason for each carryover and fully comply with PAID 3, Ch. 2, section 15.2.

2.5 VACATION CARRY-OVER

Members are reminded to utilize their Vacation Leave for 2022. All requests to carryover unused Vacation will be reviewed, and only approved, when in compliance with PA/ID 1, Ch. 15, section 1.6.

2.6 UFA DELEGATES CHOICE OF VACATION - REMINDER

Eligible UFA members are reminded to comply with procedures outlined in PA/ID 1, Ch. 15, as it pertains to UFA Delegates Choice of Vacation, section 7.2: which states: All delegates must submit Form BP-550 to the Bureau of Personnel **no later than December 20th**.

2.7 SOCIAL SECURITY WAGE CHANGES

The following Social Security and Medicare tax changes will be in effect for payrolls dated on and after January 1, 2023.

Social Security and Medicare Tax Rates

(PMS Code: 6010 - FICA TAX-EMPLOYEE SHARE)

Social Security Wage Base.....Increased to **\$160,200.00**
Social Security Tax RateRemains **6.2%**

(PMS Code: 6011 - FICA TAX-EMPLOYER SHARE)

Social Security Wage Base.....Increased to **\$160,200.00**
Social Security Tax RateRemains **6.2%**

(PMS Code: 6012 - MEDICARE-EMPLOYEE SHARE)

Medicare Tax Rate..... Remains **1.45%**

Medicare Tax Rate..... Remains **2.35%**

(Applies to wages in excess of \$200,000 regardless of the individual's filing status)

Medicare Tax Wage BaseNo base limit

By Order of: **Laura Kavanagh**, *Fire Commissioner*
John J. Hodgens, *Chief of Department*