



# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

## POLICY NO. BPOL-COM-002

Fire Department Service Policy	
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### PURPOSE

To establish the scope of practice of emergency services to be provided by the Regional District North Okanagan Fire Departments- BX Swan Lake Fire Department, (also known as BX Swan Lake Fire Rescue), Silver Star Fire Department, Lumby and District Fire Department.

### POLICY

- The Department will operate to provide the services listed in the ***RDNO Fire Departments Operation Response Matrix*** (attached to this policy as Appendix I), with the provision that all required staff and resources are available, certified, qualified and utilized in conformance with Federal, Provisional, Municipal and Fire board, Acts, Regulation, Bylaws, Agreements and Policy.
- This policy document's Appendix I includes all services that can be exercised both inside the service establishment area, and services permitted outside of the service establishment area.
- If the required resources to fulfill the service request are not available, the Fire Chief can refuse the request completely or in part.
- If the request for emergency services falls beyond the scope of practice, the request will be declined.

### PROCEDURES

Should emergency services be requested within the service establishment area for the Fire Department, appropriate assistance will be provided only if the service type is categorized within the scope of practice, identified on Appendix I.

Appendix 1

**RDNO Fire Departments Operation Response Matrix**

Date: 7 April 2017

	Fire Suppression			Fire prevention		Fire Investigation	Auto-Extrication		FMR	Technical Rescue							Wildfire Interface Suppression		Structural Protection Unit	Pre-Fire Planning
	Exterior	Interior	Full Service	Pub. Education	Inspection		Within FP area	Outside FP area		Low Angle Rescue	High Angle Rescue	Confined rescue	Trench Rescue	Ice Rescue	Swift Water Rescue	Stationary/Warer Rescue	Inside FP area	Outside FP Area		
<b>BX/SW LK</b>	X	X <sub>5</sub>	O	X	O <sub>6</sub>	O <sub>7</sub>	X	X <sub>1,2</sub>	(X) <sub>10</sub>	X <sub>11</sub>	O <sub>3,7</sub>	O	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	X	X <sub>1,2</sub>	X <sub>1,2</sub>	X <sub>4</sub>
<b>Lumby</b>	X	X <sub>5</sub>	O	X <sub>9</sub>	O	O <sub>7</sub>	X <sub>8</sub>	X <sub>1,2</sub>	(X) <sub>8</sub>	X <sub>11</sub>	O <sub>3,7</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	X	X <sub>1,2</sub>	X <sub>7</sub>	X <sub>4</sub>
<b>Silver Star</b>	X	X <sub>5</sub>	O	X	O	O <sub>7</sub>	X <sub>8</sub>	O	X	X <sub>11</sub>	O <sub>3,7</sub>	O	O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>3</sub>	O	O <sub>3</sub>	X	X <sub>1,2</sub>	X <sub>7</sub>	X <sub>4</sub>

Key: **X**- Fire department provides the service, some conditions apply as per referenced notes.

**O**- Fire department does NOT provide service unless provision(s) as per note(s) is/are applicable.

Notes:

- 1- By mutual aid agreement
- 2- Provincial request, EMBC tasked.
- 3- Awareness only, NO OPERATIONS, manpower support for other AHJ's (Supported training records must be available)
- 4- With Owner permission
- 5- Supported by certified training records and required resources (as per BC "Playbook" standards)
- 6- Guidance only
- 7- Assist with another AHJ
- 8- Limited response and assist only
- 9- Limited
- 10- Trauma and Life threatening conditions only
- 11- Motor Vehicle incident related only (over the embankment)