



## **Persons Riding on Fire Apparatus Policy**

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### **1. Policy Statement**

- 1.1 The primary function of the LaSalle Fire Service is providing for public safety through emergency response and public fire safety education. As such, the Fire Service and its members through the LaSalle Firefighters Association have traditionally participated in various community events and hosted public demonstrations of emergency vehicles, equipment and capabilities of the fire service. While typically conducted in controlled environments and under non-emergency conditions, these events are not exempt from applicable regulatory and health and safety concerns.

### **2. Scope**

- 2.1 To establish a Policy for the use of the LaSalle Fire Service vehicles, as may be requested from time-to-time, to participate in public education and public relations events such as parades and demonstrations.

### **3. Policy**

This policy applies to civilians and fire personnel.

#### **3.1 Where applicable:**

- 3.1.1 Civilians shall not ride on the exterior of the fire apparatus;
- 3.1.2 Fire personnel riding in fire apparatus shall be seated and have seat belts fastened;
- 3.1.3 Civilians with prior approval of the Fire Chief or Deputy Fire Chief may ride inside the fire apparatus ensuring the civilians are seated and have seat belts fastened;

- 3.1.4 Any deviation from this policy shall be at the sole discretion of the Fire Chief.

#### **4. Roles and Responsibilities**

LaSalle Fire Service is responsible for this policy. This policy will be periodically reviewed and updated as required. This policy must be reviewed by the stated review date and approved by the responsible department.

#### **5. References and Related Documents**

Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8

#### **6. Attachments**

None.