Egg Harbor Fire Department and First Responders
Standard Operating Policy

SUBJECT: PHYSICAL AND MEDICAL CAPABILITIES

PURPOSE: To have in place a policy that meets SPS 330.15.

SCOPE: This policy shall apply to all members of the Egg Harbor Fire Department.

A. The employer shall assure that the Fire Fighters who are expected to do structural fire fighting are physically capable of performing duties which may be assigned to them during emergency operations.

B. Furthermore it is the responsibility of all fire department members to report to the Fire Chief and Assistant Chief, (or if one of them are unavailable, a Fire Commission Member), any medical or physical limitations, any known injuries, any medications, or are under a doctors care which could jeopardize their own safety or other personnel safety. A notification of injury form should be signed by both the Fire Chief, Assistant Chief (or Fire Commission Member) as well as the fire department member, who is reporting the injury.

C. The Fire Chief may not permit a Fire Fighter with known heart disease, epilepsy or emphysema to participate in Fire Department emergency operations unless a physician certificate of the Fire Fighters fitness to participate in such operations is provided.

(Note: The intent of this subchapter is not to require an annual physical for each Fire Fighter.)