

CANASTOTA VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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# Canastota Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

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Canastota, NY 13032

Phone: 315-697-3341 Fax: 315-697-2892

<b>APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP</b>					
Name: (Last, First.M.I.)				Date:	
Home Address:					
Mailing Address:					
Phone:			Best time to Call:		
Do you have a valid New York State Drivers License?				YES:	NO:
Are you 18 years of age or older?	YES:	NO:	If NO, state your age.		
How long have you resided at the above address?				Years:	Months:
How long have you resided in New York State?				Years:	Months:
Are you currently employed?	YES:	NO:	If "Yes" give employer information below.		
Name of Employer:				Phone:	
Address:					
May we contact your employer as a reference?				YES:	NO:
Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty to a felony, misdemeanor, insurance fraud, arson or a reduction in of these offenses?					
YES:		NO:		If "Yes" give details on a separate sheet of paper.	
<b>PERSONAL REFERENCES</b>					
Please list three personal references, other than members of this organization, who have known you for at least 3 years					
Name:		Address:		Phone:	
Name:		Address:		Phone:	
Name:		Address:		Phone:	
<b>PREVIOUS EMERGENCY/FIRE SERVICE EXPERIENCE</b>					
Agency Name:					
Address:					
Contact				Phone:	
If more space is needed please attach a copy with your application.					



NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES  
Office of Criminal Justice Operations  
Volunteer Firefighter Inquiry Form

*INSTRUCTIONS: This form is to be used only by a Sheriff's Office (or OFPC, where applicable) when performing searches authorized under NY Executive Law §837-o in connection with individuals seeking membership in a Volunteer Fire Department.*

A. DATE:

*This form must be U.S. mailed, faxed or hand delivered between agencies. E-mail transmission is not permissible.*

*Shaded boxes are required data elements.*

B. REQUESTING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT NAME:

FIRE CHIEF NAME:

SIGNATURE:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

FAX NUMBER:

1. NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)

2. ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip Code)

3. ALIAS AND/OR MAIDEN NAME

4. SEX

M

F

5. RACIAL APPEARANCE

White

Black

Indian

Asian

Unknown

Other

6. ETHNICITY

Hispanic

Not Hispanic

Unknown

7. HEIGHT  
Ft. In.

8. DATE OF BIRTH  
Month Day Year

9. PLACE OF BIRTH

10. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

RESULTS OF INQUIRY

INVESTIGATING OFFICER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINT NAME/TITLE)

INVESTIGATING OFFICER SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

☐ NO RECORD OF AN ARSON CONVICTION OR A CONVICTION REQUIRING REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER

☐ CONVICTED OF ARSON; NO RECORD OF A CONVICTION REQUIRING REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER

☐ CONVICTED OF A CRIME REQUIRING REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER; NO RECORD OF AN ARSON CONVICTION

☐ CONVICTED OF ARSON AND CONVICTED OF A CRIME REQUIRING REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER



## CANASTOTA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

### EXPECTATIONS

Although no previous experience or training is required, you need more than just a desire to help people. You also need courage and dedication, assertiveness, and a willingness to learn new skills and face new challenges. Our service is one that calls on its members to perform hot, sweaty, dirty, strenuous work, often in uncertain and hazardous environments.

Our volunteers need to be team players, respecting each other's role and contributions. You need to be able to work on-call and to deal with occasional interruptions to your lifestyle, dropping what you're doing at the 'sound of the bell' to respond to the emergency needs of your fellow citizens.

A new recruit can expect to spend between 5-10 hours each week on fire company business the first six months. This entails meetings, training, emergency responses and other miscellaneous activities. Some weeks will be more and other weeks much less. The days of the week or times may vary depending on the level of activity.

- New recruits must successfully pass a Madison County background check and physical examination prior to being formally introduced as a potential member of the CVFD.
- New members will be considered on probation for a period of two years. Their probationary activities will be reviewed within thirty days following two (2) years of active continuous service and the probationary member will be recommended for continued service or termination at that time.
- Removal from probationary status requires that the aforementioned requirements be fulfilled along with the probationary requirements of their membership classification.
- All members must attend regular monthly business meetings (12 per year) held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m., and all special meetings and events unless excused in writing or email. This includes annual events such as our Fish Fry's, Spring Clean Up Day, Duty Crews if assigned and Parades.
- All personnel are responsible for assisting in the fund-raising efforts of the organization.
- A member must be at least 18 years old and have met all training requirements (if operational) and have been a member for at least two (2) years to be a voting member of the CVFD.
- Fire members must be enrolled in or have completed BEFO within 24 months of joining and of acceptance of membership.
- All Fire members are expected to participate in at least one (1) Duty Shift program per month, typically held every other Thursday from 6-10p
- Failure to complete the minimum requirements can result in termination of membership.