

Buxton Fire-Rescue

Administrative Policy

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Tobacco Use Policy

It is the policy of Buxton Fire - Rescue to comply with all applicable federal, state and local regulations regarding tobacco use in the work place, and also to provide a tobacco free work environment that promotes productivity and the wellbeing of its employees.

- 1. Buxton Fire Rescue recognizes that tobacco products (including chew/dip) in the workplace can adversely affect employees. Accordingly the following policy will be in effect: the use of tobacco products are prohibited in all Buxton Fire Rescue facilities including offices, hallways, rest rooms, lunch rooms, meeting rooms, community rooms, vehicles, equipment, and on a training ground or incident scene. Officers and Supervisors are expected to enforce this policy.
- 2. This policy applies to employees and visitors on Department premises, Department functions, trainings, and incident sites.
- 3. Employees are expected to exercise courtesy and respect the needs of co-workers in regards to the tobacco policy and keep designated tobacco use areas clean and litter free. Employees that use tobacco products will not abuse breaks or any work rules.
- 4. A designated tobacco use area will be established at each Station. The use of tobacco products on any training or incident site is not permitted.
- 5. Any employee that violates this policy may be subject to disciplinary action.