Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER: 05-08

Rescinded 8/16/07 Date: June 9, 2005

TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Thomas W. Carr, Jr.

SUBJECT: Respiratory Fit Test

By July 15, 2005 all MCFRS IECS certified firefighter/rescuer personnel must successfully complete their respiratory fit test. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in immediate removal from the IECS list. All MCFRS IECS certified EMS providers who have been cleared as medically respiratory acceptable must be fit tested by September 1, 2005.

Personnel who need to be respiratory fit tested must complete the 2005
Assessing Readiness for Respiratory Mask Fitting form, which can be downloaded at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/firtmpl.asp?url=/content/firerescue/dvfrs/index.asp
The completed form must be forwarded to Ms. Valerie Jackson at FROMS (240-777-5097) for record keeping and review. MCFRS personnel who successfully complete a 2005 NFPA 1582 physical will not be required to complete the medical questionnaire.

The MCFRS SCBA Service and Repair Facility will be open Monday through Friday (except certain holidays) from 0800 to 1530 hours for SCBA fit testing through September 1, 2005. It is also anticipated that the MCFRS SCBA Service and Repair Facility will be open for other weeknight and weekend dates which will be made available through September 1, 2005.

Questions can be directed to Acting Division Chief Richie Bowers at 240-777-2485 or Battalion Chief Mike Close at 240-777-5083.

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