

Oregon Fire Service Stratification Worksheet

Purpose and Intent

The purpose of stratification is to ensure that authorities having jurisdiction (AHJ) have an accurate representation of the fire and emergency medical risks within their community, and the AHJ has an understanding of the minimum standards that are required to fight structural fires in Oregon. The accompanying document is designed to serve as a minimum “Organizational Statement” of services provided or “Standard of Cover for Emergency Response”.

The intent of the stratification process is to ensure firefighters are safe while on the fireground and that they are not regularly engaged in operations that fail to meet minimum Oregon safety and training standards for firefighting.

The stratification process, at this point is NOT designed to provide guidance for other services provided by fire departments in Oregon (for example, special rescue situations, EMS, or prevention). While this document does address those issues in the context of providing the AHJ with direction on what services a department currently provides, the “Training Matrix” is only designed, at this time, to provide guidance on firefighting.

Emergency scene operations may, on occasion, require immediate decisions that are not in alignment with the Organizational Statement or the Standard of Cover. Nothing in the organizational statement or standard of cover should be construed as relinquishing rights established under OAR 437-002-0182(5)(b) allowing fire chiefs to make emergency interventions that may be needed to mitigate an incident or save lives.

Section One

Overview & Legal Jurisdiction

Incorporation/City Charter – Date and Location:

Governance Type (Board, Council, etc):

Annual Budget:

Number of employees:

Career:

Volunteer:

Population Served:

Area Served (Square Miles):

Total Property Value:

Section Two

Risk Assessment

Topography

Challenges to typical response:

Primary topography:

Transportation Networks

Major thoroughfares:

Airports:

Waterways:

Rail:

Challenges:

Types of Calls to Which Agency Responds

NFPA CALL TYPE	SUB-TYPE	CALLS FOR SERVICE (Number)	Year
FIRE	Structural		
	Brush/Wildland		
	Vehicle		
	Other		
	Sub-Totals		
EMS	Motor Vehicle		
	All Other		
	Sub-Totals		
SERVICE			
OTHER			
TOTAL			

Urban Risk Areas

(Describe how much of your area is urban)

Suburban Risk Areas

(Describe how much of your area is suburban)

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Rural Risk Areas

(Describe how much of your area is rural)

Frontier Risk Areas:

(Describe how much of your area is frontier)

Building Risks, if Available

CLASSIFICATION	Risk	Number of Bldgs
Single Family Residential		
Multi-Family Residential		
Places of Assembly		
Offices		
Educational Facilities		
Fabrication & Manufacturing		
Hazardous Materials		
Health Care Facilities		
Mercantile		
Storage		
Special Residences (AFH)		
Total		

Risk Mitigation Services

(Describe your current fire prevention activities, sprinkler codes, and/or public education program. Use an attachment if needed, and include prevention and education goals)

Section Three

Available Resources

Personnel and Funding:

_____ has an annual budget of _____, _____ full-time firefighters and staff, and _____ volunteer firefighters. The full-time response personnel (firefighters, medical, chief officers) are available as follows:

- Station:____
 - ____ Career, ____ Volunteer
 - Career available the following hours per day: _____
- Station:____
 - ____ Career, ____ Volunteer
 - Career available the following hours per day: _____
- Station:____
 - ____ Career, ____ Volunteer
 - Career available the following hours per day: _____

Response Assets:

_____ currently has the following response resources:

- Engines_____
- Ladder Trucks_____
- Tenders_____
- Rescue or Utility Squads_____
- Ambulances_____
- Brush Units_____
- Other_____

Section Four

Service Level Objectives

Given the above described risks, _____ has established the following service level objectives. These are based on the level of risk as described under Section Two above, the historical incident type and volume, and the financial ability of the fire department to meet local, regional, state, and national standards and laws associated with providing fire and rescue services to the community.

In particular, Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 437-002-182: Oregon Rules for Firefighters requires that fire departments maintain a written policy describing their organizational structure, functions, and training. In addition, OAR 437, Division 2, Subdivision L: Fire Protection describes specific parameters for firefighting, and in particular limits interior firefighting to those departments that can maintain a specified level of response, provide regular defined training, maintain and regularly test respiratory equipment, and sustain other critical requirements.

The department will maintain sufficient personnel and equipment so that it can respond to any:

Structure Fire and (select the highest level):

- ____ Enter an IDLH environment, and provide 2-in, 2-out minimums prior to entry.
 - ***The fire department meets or exceeds all the requirements outlined in Attachment #1 under “LEVEL 1” Service Level Objectives.***

- ____ Fight the fire from the exterior, contain the fire to the building of origin, and protect nearby structures. Enter the “Hot Zone” where SCBA may be required (exterior structural firefighting or vehicular fires).
 - ***The fire department meets or exceeds all the requirements outlined in Attachment #1 under “LEVEL 2” Service Level Objectives.***

- ____ Strive to protect exposures, fight a structural fire from the exterior outside of the hot zone (no smoke or hazards), and contain the fire from spreading to nearby structures. IDLH entry will not be performed without mutual aid.
 - ***The fire department meets or exceeds all the requirements outlined in Attachment #1 under “LEVEL 3” Service Level Objectives.***

- ____ Evacuate the area, provide safe routes of egress for citizens, and initiate a mutual aid plan for fire structural suppression. Department may fight natural cover fires.
 - ***The fire department meets or exceeds all the requirements outlined in Attachment #1 under “LEVEL 3 or LEVEL 4” Service Level Objectives.***

In addition, the department will maintain sufficient personnel and equipment so that it can respond to any:

- **Medical Incident at the following level (e.g., BLS, ALS, first response, transport, etc)**

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Other Services Provided:

- ____ Fire Inspection, Prevention, and Public Education (Attach description)
- ____ Fire Investigation (Attach description)
- ____ Hazardous Materials Response (Attach description)
- ____ Auto Extrication
- ____ Specialty Rescue (Attach description)

Standard Fire Response

RESPONSE UNIT	# of Units	# of Personnel
Chief Officer		
Engines (Pumpers)		
Ladder Trucks		
Tenders		
Other		

Standard EMS Response

RESPONSE UNIT	# of Units	# of Personnel
Chief Officer		
Engines (Pumpers)		
Rescue		
Ambulance		
Other		