

# WEST PATERSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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NOTIFICATION

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Whenever a suspected criminal act has occurred the West Paterson Police Department Detective Bureau shall be notified.

The attached protocol from the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office shall be used by the officer in charge of an incident which involves one or more the below listed types of incidents:

- Fire Incidents (See attached criteria for notification)
- Environmental Incidents (See attached criteria for notification)
- Explosive Incidents (See attached criteria for notification)

The Borough Fire Official/Fire Inspector shall be in charge of the cause and origin determination as per the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code. The Borough Fire Official/Fire Inspector shall assume the responsibility of making the above notification with regard to incidents involving fires.

The Fire Department or Fire Prevention Bureau shall notify the West Paterson Police Department Detective Bureau whenever notification of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office has occurred.

The New Jersey State Fire Marshall's Office shall be notified as soon as possible at any fire or explosion, which results in a serious injury or fatality to a firefighter. The 24 hour notification number for the New Jersey State Fire Marshall's Office is: 1-877-NJ-FIRES

A Civilian Burn Patient Form shall be completed and faxed to the New Jersey State Fire Marshall's Office as soon as possible whenever a civilian suffers a serious burn injury.

A Fire Fatality Report Form shall be completed and faxed to the New Jersey State Fire Marshall's Office as soon as possible whenever a fatality occurs as a result of a fire.

Note: If the Fire Official or Fire Inspector is not available, the officer in charge shall be responsible for the security of the scene, and the above notifications.