



# Stamford Fire Department

## 201 E McHarg

### Stamford, Texas 79553

Subject: General Orders  
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1.01

Members of the department will not endorse or recommend an particular product, service or brand name while engaged in their official capacity or while recognized and/or identified as a member of the Stamford Fire Department.

1.02

Articles of value found at the fire station or fire scene shall be forwarded to the Fire Chief for inventory and safe-keeping until the article can be claimed by the proper owner.

1.03

No firearms will be allowed in the fire station.

1.04

Uniformed personnel

1. No necklaces, earrings, studs or other piercing type of jewelry shall be visible when wearing a Duty, Public or Dress uniform. (A watch and one ring per hand will be allowed).
2. all other visible decorative jewelry is prohibited unless authorized by the Fire Chief.

1.05

Personal appearance guideline. Neatness and safety shall be the criteria for hairstyles for all uniformed members of the fire department. The Fire Chief will not permit subordinated to report for duty with stringy, shaggy, dirty or wildly unkempt hair. Should a member/employee hairstyle be questioned, it will be the responsibility of the supervisor to resolve the question after considering the criteria contained in this directive. Wigs are acceptable for male and female employees if they meet prescribed requirements for hairstyles set out within.



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#### 1.06

##### Sworn male employees in Uniform

1. The hair must be combed in an orderly manner, and the grooming must be maintained under all but the most adverse conditions.
2. The hair will be present a tapered appearance of the sides and the back of the head. The length and/or bulk of the hair will not present a ragged, unkempt, bushy or extree appearance.
3. The "block cut" in the back is permitted as long as a tapered appearance is maintained.
4. When combed, the hair may touch the top of the ear, but will not cover any part of the ear while on duty. Hair will be no longer in the back than to the top of the buttoned up collar.
5. In all cases, the bulk or length of hair will not interfere with the normal wearing of all standard issue SCBA face pieces.
6. Sideburns shall not exceed past the lowest part of the earlobe. Sideburns will end in a clean-shaven horizontal line. Sideburns will not be flared nor any wider at the bottom that their natural width at the top.
7. Beards and goatees are prohibited.
8. Mustaches are permissible within these limitations:  
Hair must be neatly trimmed at all times and not interfere with Personal Protective Equipment.

#### 1.07

##### Female employees in Uniform

1. Sworn female firefighters should keep in mind that longer hair presents an increased risk in emergency situations. Said employees are urged not to wear long hair. In no case shall hair of any female employee in uniform fall below the yoke (horizontal seam across the shoulder blade area) o the uniform shirt.
2. Uniformed female firefighters will wear their hair in a style that will permit the proper wearing of the issued SCBA face piece.
3. Uniformed female firefighters shall not wear any beards, ribbons or other decorations in their hair.
4. Styles such as hanging pigtails, ponytails and large bouffant are prohibited.
5. items used by uniformed female employees to hold the hair in place will be concealed as much as possible and will be a color and style that blends with the hair.