



# The Hydrant

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## **OUR MISSION**

*The mission of the Millington Fire Department is the protection of life and property from the adverse effects of fires, medical emergencies or exposure to dangerous conditions through fire suppression, rescue, disaster preparedness, fire prevention and community education.*

*The members of this department, working together, will provide a professional and caring environment that is fair, honest, and ethical and that treats all individuals with respect and dignity.*

## **DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

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The department Provided an EMS tent for the Flag City Fireworks event.

Chief Graves attended the Firefighter Luncheon in Arlington.

Marshal Dent attended a class on operating drones.

The Magic Tour of Millington visited station 2.

The department participated in Parks and Rec's Summer of Fun event at Aycock Park.

Donna and Chief Graves have been conducting training for the new OJI reporting system.

**Breast Cancer Awareness shirts are available at the Fire Admin Office.**



## CALLS OF SERVICE

## TRAINING

Incident Type		Training type	Hours
Fire	<b>12</b>	<i>EMS</i>	<b>1</b>
Overpressure Rupture	<b>0</b>	<i>Driver/pump operations</i>	<b>9</b>
Rescue/EMS	<b>175</b>	<i>Extrication</i>	<b>3</b>
Hazardous Conditions	<b>8</b>	<i>Fire Suppression</i>	<b>11.50</b>
Service Calls	<b>7</b>	<i>Haz-mat</i>	<b>5</b>
Good Intent	<b>16</b>	<i>Safety</i>	<b>1</b>
False Alarm/Call	<b>16</b>	<i>Special Operations</i>	<b>11</b>
Severe Weather/Disaster	<b>0</b>	<i>Other</i>	<b>0</b>
Special	<b>0</b>	<i>Supervisory</i>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>234</b>		<b>Totals: 42.50</b>

## Community Involvement

- The Department installed 1 smoke detector this month.
- Upon Request the Department is willing to give tours and provide fire prevention materials to individuals within the city limits of Millington. Please contact our administration office to schedule an appointment.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Offensive Product Control

8/7-8/9

Module 8: Operations Part

2

8/7-8/9

### Quiz

1. How do you check the oil level in the pump housing?
2. Should the air tanks be drained even if it has an automatic dryer?
3. Is there a difference between the front and rear tires?



## Prevent Heat Illness at Work

Outdoor and indoor heat exposure can be dangerous.

### FACEBOOK

Millington Fire  
Department

### Twitter

@MillingtonFD

### Ways to Protect Yourself and Others



Nearly 3 out of 4 fatalities from heat illness happen during the first week of work.

- ✓ New and returning workers need to build tolerance to heat (acclimatize) and take frequent breaks.
- ✓ Follow the 20% Rule. On the first day, work no more than 20% of the shift's duration at full intensity in the heat. Increase the duration of time at full intensity by no more than 20% a day until workers are used to working in the heat.



#### Drink Cool Water

Drink cool water even if you are not thirsty — at least 1 cup every 20 minutes.



#### Dress for the Heat

Wear a hat and light-colored, loose-fitting, and breathable clothing if possible.



#### Take Rest Breaks

Take enough time to recover from heat given the temperature, humidity, and conditions.



#### Watch Out for Each Other

Monitor yourself and others for signs of heat illness.



#### Find Shade or a Cool Area

Take breaks in a designated shady or cool location.



#### If Wearing a Face Covering

Change your face covering if it gets wet or soiled.

Verbally check on others frequently.

# Summer Safety Tips



## Activity safety



Never swim near a boat, marina or boat launching ramp.



Always use U.S. Coast Guard-approved life safety jackets.



Adults need to stay with children when they are around water.



Keep the pool and deck clear of floats, balls and toys after you get out of the pool.



Always swim with a buddy.



Always wear a bike helmet and bright clothes when cycling so people can see you. Put reflectors on your bike.

Ride with both hands on the handlebars. Ride in single file with traffic. Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic lights.



For more information and free resources, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov](http://www.usfa.fema.gov).

UPCOMING JULY EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES	UPCOMING JULY EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS
Michael Ward 2yrs Kate Wilke 7yrs	Matt Rogers 8/3 Todd Stafford 8/17 Chad Swysgood 8/3 Alec Webber 8/28

Answers to Quiz questions:

1. Either a site glass or remove the top plug and feel the level
2. Yes. It allows you to make sure all of the moisture is drained and you can see if there is any oil in the tank. Also allows the air compressor to completely cycle the system.
3. Yes, the front tires are called steer tires and are grooved differently from the rear tires. Rear tires are called drive tires.