

| <b>ERIE COUNTY DIV. OF FIRE SAFETY – TRAINING GUIDELINES</b> |                   |   |                     |                  |
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| <b>SOG#</b>  | <b>SUPERSEDES</b> | <b>CREATED</b>                              | <b>LAST UPDATED</b> | <b>REVISION#</b> |
| 1007   | ---               | 03/02                                       | 08/14/02            | 1                |
| <b>SECTION</b>   |                   | <b>AREA</b>                                 |                     |                  |
| Training   |                   | Firefighter Explorers & Junior Firefighters |                     |                  |

**1007.01 Scope:**

This training procedure establishes guidelines for ensuring the safety of Firefighter Explorers and Junior Firefighters while participating in county sponsored training, training evolutions conducted at a county training facility or while under the direction of a county fire instructor.

**1007.02 Background:**

While Erie County does recognize Explorers and Junior Firefighters in their determination of training eligibility, these individuals are limited to participating in training that is appropriate to their group or otherwise specific to their classification as determined by the safety guidelines of the New York State Department of Labor, their governing agency (BSA in the case of Explorers) and/or NYS General Municipal Law 204b.

**1007.03 Limitations:**

Specifically, Firefighter Explorers and Junior Firefighters shall not participate in any county provided or sponsored training that includes live fire evolutions or the use of hydraulic tools.

Because NYS OFPC does not recognize Firefighter Explorers and Junior Firefighters in determining their eligibility for participating in state training courses, and inasmuch as successful completion of a NYS OFPC Basic Firefighter Training2000 course is a pre-requisite to participating in live fire evolutions under Erie County SOG#1006, thus, individuals classified under this group shall not participate in any county provided or sponsored training that includes live fire evolutions.

**1007.04 Clarification:**

Inasmuch as New York State recognizes active firefighters age 16 and up, these individuals, restricted or otherwise, may participate to the level appropriate to their group or otherwise specific to their classification as determined by the safety guidelines of the New York State Department of Labor, their governing agency (fire department) and/or NYS General Municipal Law. Individuals classified under this group shall not participate in any county provided or sponsored training that includes live fire evolutions unless they have successfully completed a NYS OFPC Basic Firefighter Training2000, Firefighting Essentials, or as part of enrollment in an Intermediate Firefighter or Firefighter 1 course.