



Falmouth Fire-EMS Department
Headquarters: Central Fire Station
8 Bucknam Road

Fulltime Staff:

Howard Rice, Jr., Fire-EMS Chief / EMA Director

Mike Carroll, Captain / Paramedic

Denise Gibson, Office Administrator / Lieutenant / EMT-Intermediate

Mission Statement:

We will focus our collective efforts toward protecting the people, property, and the environment on behalf of any that call on us. With a standard of care that integrates community awareness and a rapid response to those in need, we will prepare to continuously offer the utmost quality in Fire & Emergency services. May our community of residents and visitors regard us as a constant and reliable source of assistance, and may we strive to safely exceed the expectations of those we serve.

Operations:

Falmouth Fire-EMS responds to over 1600 emergencies each year. We are a combination Fire-EMS department made up of three fulltime staff, one hundred on-call firefighters and EMTs, and sixteen part-time firefighter / paramedics.

During the daytime business hours we are staffed with the Fire Chief, Captain, and the Office Administrator who is also a Firefighter/EMT-I. In addition, the department employs a per diem Firefighter / Paramedic who staffs an ambulance at Central Fire Station seven days a week 24 hours a day. We rely heavily on our dedicated staff of on-call firefighters and EMT's to respond to emergencies and staff our apparatus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Two on-call Deputy Chiefs provide leadership and assist the fulltime staff with administrative support.

Falmouth Fire-EMS provides emergency service from three stations. Each station is commanded by a Captain, and each apparatus has an assigned Lieutenant and a crew. Our EMS Division is fully integrated into the three stations. Our three ambulances combine to run over 1,000 medical calls each year.

Falmouth Fire-EMS is a member of several regional partnerships, including Metro Fire Chiefs, Cumberland County Fire Chiefs, Cumberland County EMS Chiefs, Maine Chief, Coastal Mutual Aid, and Southern Maine Community College Student Live-in Program.

FY2013 Proposed Projects

- Continue to collaborate with neighboring fire and EMS departments to provide regional training.
- Develop new EMS outreach program for senior living facilities in Falmouth.
- Publish updated Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG's).
- Design and acquire new ambulance as part of CIP program.
- Fully integrate IMC reporting software payroll directly into MUNIS payroll module.
- Partner with 5 new Residents at Maine Medical Center who provide monthly training and evaluate patient care to ensure quality EMS is delivered to patients in Falmouth.
- Develop procedures and conduct drill for opening an EOC at Police Station.



Falmouth Fire-EMS 2011 Incidents

Building Fire	6
Electrical Fire	23
Chimney Fire	5
Cooking Fire	8
Fuel Boiler Malfunction	5
Vehicle Fire	6
Smoke Investigation	44
Brush Fire	21
Unauthorized Burning	5
Power Lines Down	41
Fire Alarm / Detector Activation	162
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	28
Emergency Medical Services	1022
Motor Vehicle Crash	103
Rescue Other – Animal, Elevator	5
Hazardous Materials Incident - Fuel Spills, Leaks	14
Assist Other Agency	28
Good Intent Call / Public Assist	41
False Alarm	20
Cover Assignment	21
Weather Related	9
Inspections – Wood Stove, Fire Alarm, etc.	20
Total Incidents	1,637