

HOWARD COUNTY

(4) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE CREDIT FOR SERVICE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1974, EACH DEPARTMENT SHALL REVIEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP ROSTER TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF YEARS CREDIT FOR EACH MEMBER WHO IS ENTITLED UP TO JANUARY 1, 1974. IN MAKING THIS ANALYSIS, THE STANDARDS FOR ACTIVE SERVICE SHALL BE USED AS GUIDELINES. APPROVAL FOR SUCH PRIOR SERVICE SHALL REQUIRE CERTIFICATION BY THE CHIEF OF THE INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT WITH FINAL CERTIFICATION BY THE FIRE BOARD. IN THE EVENT A VOLUNTEER MEMBER REQUESTS CREDIT FOR SERVICE IN MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT, EACH DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE A CERTIFICATION FOR THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF YEARS.

(5) IN COMPUTING CREDIT FOR THOSE VOLUNTEERS WHO ALSO SERVE AS PAID EMPLOYEES WITHIN THE HOWARD COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, CREDIT SHALL NOT BE GIVEN FOR ACTIVITIES PERFORMED DURING THE INDIVIDUALS REGULARLY ASSIGNED WORK PERIOD.

(6) A VOLUNTEER MEMBER WHOSE NAME DOES NOT APPEAR ON THE APPROVED CERTIFIED LIST OR WHO IS DENIED CREDIT FOR SERVICE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1974, SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAY OF POSTING THE LIST OR WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF POSTING THE LIST OR WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF DENIAL OF PAST SERVICE CREDIT. THE APPEAL SHALL BE IN WRITING AND FORWARDED TO THE HOWARD COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL INVESTIGATE THE APPEAL. THE DECISION OF THE BOARD SHALL BE FINAL.

F. ACTIVE SERVICE STANDARDS

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM, AN ACTIVE MEMBER IS DEFINED AS A VOLUNTEER WHO HAS ACCUMULATED A MINIMUM OF FIFTY (50) POINTS EACH YEAR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING POINT SYSTEM. POINTS WILL BE CREDITED FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30 AND SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERABLE FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT.

(1) TRAINING COURSES - TWENTY-FIVE (25) POINTS MAXIMUM.

(A) COURSES UNDER TWENTY (20) HOURS DURATION - FIVE (5) POINTS PER COURSE. (THIS INCLUDES ONE-DAY COURSES, SEMINARS, BASIC FIRST AID, ETC.)

(B) COURSES OF TWENTY (20) TO FORTY-FIVE (45) HOURS DURATION - TEN (10) POINTS PER COURSE. (THIS INCLUDES SHORT COURSES, REGIONAL FIRE SCHOOLS, ETC.)

(C) COURSES OVER FORTY-FIVE (45) HOURS DURATION - FIFTEEN (15) POINTS PER COURSE. (THIS INCLUDES UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND FIRE RELATED COURSES, EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COURSES, AND ALSO FIRE SCIENCE