

# **Membership Application**

(Please print legibly, all information will be kept confidential)

## **Personal Information:**

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received the Hepatitis “B” Vaccination? YES NO

## **Which position will you be applying for?** (Check all that apply)

- Firefighter – 18 years of age or older serving as a Firefighter
- Junior Firefighter – 14-17 years of age wishing to serve as a Junior Firefighter
- Fire Police Officer – 21 years of age or older serving as a Fire Police Officer
- Support Member – 14 years of age or older serving in support capacities such as fundraisers
- Social Member – 14 years of age or older serving in a non-active capacity

**Emergency Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer Information:**

Present Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**Non-Family References:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Previous Emergency Service Organizations:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Active: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Active: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Information:**

Please List Any Relevant Trainings You Have Completed:

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Have you received any traffic citations, or been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? Have you ever been convicted of the crime of Arson or sounding a false alarm? If yes explain:

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**Please read, understand, and sign the following statements:**

I, (signature required) \_\_\_\_\_, understand that the stated positions require demanding physical labor and it is my responsibility to keep myself in good health to meet those demands. I also understand that I may be required to do training on my own time and during station training nights to meet the requirements of my position.

I, (signature required) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that the statements made by me on this application are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any falsifications will be grounds for denial of membership or dismissal from membership.

I, (signature required) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby apply for membership in the West Hempfield Fire & Rescue Company and, if accepted for membership, I will comply with the constitution, bylaws, station rules, standard operating guidelines, and the conduct expected of company members.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*If you, the applicant, are under the age of 18, a parent/guardian must fill out the information below\*\***

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Include the following with your application:**

- \$5.00 non-refundable application fee (covers two years of dues and administrative costs)
- Copy of your drivers license
- Hepatitis “B” documentation from your physician
- Working Papers (Only needed for applicants under the age of 18)
- Copies of all current training certificates
- Copies of current volunteer clearances (See following page)
- Copy of Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Criminal History Clearance\*\*

**\*\*Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Criminal History Clearances do not need to be acquired if a Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers form is filled out. This form is required to be signed by all applicants wishing to join the organization and will be filled out at the applicant’s new member interview with the Membership Secretary acting as the witness. A copy of the form can be found at the following address:**

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Resources/Documents/Disclosure%20Statement%20for%20Volunteers.pdf>

# How to obtain Pennsylvania volunteer clearances

1. Visit <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/default.aspx> and follow the links under the “Get a Clearance” section.

The screenshot shows the Department of Human Services website. The main heading is "Get a Clearance". Below it, there is a paragraph explaining that the Child Protective Services Law (CPSL) requires certain individuals to obtain clearances. Another paragraph states that clearances are required for an employee or unpaid volunteer at a minimum of every 60 months. A third paragraph mentions that agencies must ensure clearances are obtained in accordance with the CPSL. Below this, there are two bullet points: "Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance" and "Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance". On the right side, there is a sidebar with a list of links: "Foster/Adoptive Parents", "School Employees Governed by the Public School Code", "School Employees Not Governed by the Public School Code", "Volunteers", and "Child Care Employee \*Coming Soon\*". Below the sidebar is an "Additional Resources" section with links for "Report Abuse", "Trainings", and "Media".

2. Click the first link titled “Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance” and follow the steps on the page to obtain your first clearance. Make sure to fill out this form as a volunteer, you will know you have done this correctly if the fee is waived.

The screenshot shows a list of links. The first link, "Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance", is highlighted with a red box. Below it are two other links: "Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance" and "Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Criminal History Clearance". A note below the links states "(required for all employees and some volunteers)".

3. Return to <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/default.aspx>
4. Click the second link titled “Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance” and follow the steps on the page to obtain your second clearance. Make sure to fill out this form as a volunteer, you will know you have done this correctly if the fee is waived.

The screenshot shows a list of links. The second link, "Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance", is highlighted with a red box. Below it are two other links: "Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance" and "Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Criminal History Clearance". A note below the links states "(required for all employees and some volunteers)".

**PLEASE ONLY COMPLETE STEPS 5 AND 6 IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN A RESIDENT OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS.**

5. Return to <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/default.aspx>
6. Click the third link titled “Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Criminal History Clearance” and follow the steps on the page to obtain your third clearance. This clearance has a cost associated with it.

- [Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance](#)
- [Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance](#)
- [Federal Bureau of Investigations \(FBI\) Criminal History Clearance](#)  
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