



GEAR RACK STORAGE SOG

SCOPE

This guideline shall apply to all members of the Stoney Point Fire Department (SPFD) and shall be adhered to by all members.

PURPOSE

This SOG provides guidance on the storage and maintenance of the new gear racks, and stipulates expectations of SPFD members. The intent is to have a uniform gear storage policy that provides example and standardization for our members.

DEFINITIONS

SHALL- Indicates a mandatory requirement

General: Issued gear is meant to protect all firefighters, on and off the fireground. Life safety depends on appropriate care. Gear maintenance is a firefighter personal responsibility. It is the individual firefighter's responsibility to keep their assigned gear compartments clean, serviceable, and presentable.

Assigned fire gear belongs to the firefighter. Do not borrow or move any firefighter's gear without direction, and do not allow others to do so. Other than the Logistics Officer, no one is authorized to enter within another members gear rack compartment space

Our fire gear, its cleanliness and appearance represents our fire department. Keep it functional, clean, serviceable and stored correctly in your assigned gear rack compartment.

1. All gear will be stored appropriately within the member's assigned gear rack compartment.
 - a. Helmets will be stored on the top shelf, shield in with the rear brim facing towards the compartment opening. This precludes damage to the shield and shield anchors when removing the helmet and will allow airflow to dry the helmet interior.
 - b. Coats will be hung with the zippers facing to the rear of the station.

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- c. Pants and boots will be placed toes facing toward the rear of the station and in alignment with the coat zipper. Suspenders straps will be stored within the compartment to reduce potential tripping hazards, and to ensure the suspenders aren't damaged by the gear rack wheels.
- d. Wet pants can utilize the silver hook on the inside wall of the compartment to extend the waist for drying.
- e. Photo examples of **PROPER** gear storage included below.



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- f. below is an example of **IMPROPER** storage.



Photo
gear



2. Additional gear storage

- a. All additional gear must be stored in an orderly and neat fashion.
- b. Rescue helmets may be hung inside the compartment utilizing the drying hook or placed next to the fire helmet on the top shelf.
- c. Additional coats or sweat shirts may be stored in the compartment on a hanger or folded and placed underneath the helmet.
- d. Gloves should be placed within the coat or pants pockets. However, wet gloves can be placed parallel to the helmet for drying.
- e. Technical rescue boots (steel tip or hiking) may be stored on the bottom shelf behind the bunker pants and boots.
- f. Personal specialized technical rescue or fire equipment will be stored inside the confines of the compartment. This can be appropriately stored beneath the helmet or at the rear of the pants/boots on the bottom shelf.

3. No inappropriate pictures or statements are allowed in the gear rack compartment. While each individual retains a specific definition of “inappropriate”, Stoney Point Fire Department is a public service organization with high professionalism standards. As such, items that may be deemed inappropriate include profanity or other offensive language, images of scantily clad models or items supporting illegal, illicit, or other substance use not tolerated on fire department grounds. This list is not exhaustive, and other items not present may be deemed inappropriate by the fire chief or his designee.

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4. Movement of gear.

- a. Gear rack configurations and assignments are based on duty shifts.
- b. The Logistics Officer will authorize gear movement. Do not move any gear without his approval.
- c. If directed to move personal gear, do as directed and ensure the name plate relocates with the gear.

5. Gear compartments with doors may be locked. The lock must be supplied by the individual firefighter. A second key will be provided to the Logistics Officer for inspection and maintenance of the firefighter's gear.

6. Immediately report any missing department or personal gear to the chain of command. Theft of firefighter gear will not be tolerated, and will be dealt with swiftly and with consequence. Ensure the Logistics Officer is aware of any missing items as well so he can re-issue quickly to keep fire fighters in service.

7. Gear Rack Name Plates will be uniformed utilizing our P-touch (Brother) label printer with the 12mm - 0.47 laminated Black Print on White Background. The department logistics officer will be responsible for the name plate configuration and placement at the time of issue or title changes. Name plates will also be uniformed with Rank, first initial and the member's last name.

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All letters will be capitalized utilizing the following format:

**EMT J. FIREFIGHTER
EMT-P J. FIREFIGHTER
FF. J. FIREFIGHTER
FF/RT J. FIREFIGHTER
FF/EMT J. FIREFIGHTER
ENG. J. FIREFIGHTER
ENG/EMT J. FIREFIGHTER
ENG/EMT-P J. FIREFIGHTER
LIEUT. J. FIREFIGHTER
LIEUT/EMT J. FIREFIGHTER
CAPT. J. FIREFIGHTER**



Programs

Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG)

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CAPT/EMT-P J. FIREFIGHTER
ASST. CHIEF J. FIREFIGHTER
DEPUTY CHIEF J. FIREFIGHTER
FIRE CHIEF J. FIREFIGHTER

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