



Random Lake District Explorer Post

The following activities and participation with Adell, Batavia, Random Lake, or Silver Creek Fire Departments Prevention Program. In addition, Explorers will be trained on the following activities: **(Must complete before moving ahead) PAGERS ARE NOT TO BE WORN IN SCHOOL ONCE YOU HAVE THEM!**

Step I

- Safety procedures
- Fire behavior and fireground tactics
- Fire prevention and public education
- CPR and first aid
- Personal protective equipment
- Portable fire extinguishers

Step II

- Safety procedures
- Fire alarms and communications
- Command operations (Incident Command and how it works)
- Forcible entry
- Ventilation Practices
- Hydrants and water supply operations

Step III

- Safety procedures
- Building and construction
- Salvage and overhaul
- Fire cause and determination
- Ropes and knots

Step IV

Explorers will be trained on the following activities with their fire department **(Under supervision of Advisor)**

- Safety procedures
- Fire apparatus operations
- Rescue and extrications
- SCBA training
- Hose and fire streams
- Ground ladder operations (14 feet max)
- Automatic sprinkler systems

Explorers may enroll in the State of Wisconsin Certification program after completing to the satisfaction of the Advisors this training or may remain in the program until the age of 18 or graduation from high school. All training will have an agenda and documentation of attendance forwarded to the individual fire departments Training Officer. **RANDOM LAKE EXPLORER FIREFIGHTERS WILL BE TRAINED UTILIZING THE STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES AS OUTLINED IN THE “ESSENTIALS OF FIREFIGHTING”, IFSTA, NFPA, AND COM.30**

Explorer Qualifications

Upon completion of the above steps and reaching age 16, the achievers may participate in the following: (not during school hours, must conform to all requirements or DWD 270.08 as required or suggested) under supervision.

- Must have and maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or higher
- Must be older than 14 and younger than 18 or still in high school
- Attend at least one training session per month
- Should be able to respond to fires (not during school hours) after completing the four steps
- Serve a probationary period set by the Chief Officers of your department
- Attend fire department drills and training sessions

- Assist firefighters during training drills
- All explorers will have advisors with them at all training operations
- All explorers will report to their fire department for training using the personal protective equipment (PPE) for training operations
- Explorer advisors will be accountable for explorer members at all times on the training grounds.
- Operate hose and stream lines during training as part of a team
- Climb ladders (14 feet max) during training
- May respond to a fire call (not during school, or after 10:00pm on school nights)
- All explorers will report to the fire station with personal protective equipment (PPE) and report to their pre-designated vehicle.
- Explorers will designate their own Explorer Commander (EC) and once on scene their EC will report to Incident Command (IC) for their orders
- All explorer Commanders will have an assistant Explorer Commander whenever possible
- All Explorers will stay together until they receive their orders from their EC and will report back to the EC upon completion or released from their duties.
- All orders are to come from the Incident Commander (IC) to the Explorer Commander (EC) only.
- All Explorer members' accountability will be presented to IC by the EC upon arrival and departure.
- All Explorers will be returned to the fire station in the same vehicle they arrived in. If for some reason they need to leave, they must make the request to the EC which in turn will make the request of the IC.
- Ride in pre-designated fire apparatus in emergency mode if space is available (seated and belted)
- Move power tools, gasoline, electric, or hydraulic equipment to a designated area
- Firefighter rehab operations
- Change air bottles at the fire scene
- Fire cleanup operations
- Fire scene cleanup, consisting of but not limited to:
 - Retrieve equipment used on the fire ground
 - Equipment cleanup
 - Hose washing and packing
 - Vehicle readiness

Explorer Limitations

Explorers will **NOT** be permitted to do the following:

- Operate in a hot zone until the IC deems it is safe
- Use or hold a charged hoseline at the fire scene
- Ride on any fire vehicle other than the pre-designated vehicle
- Drive any fire department vehicles
- Respond to any calls during school hours or after 10:00pm on school nights
- May NOT respond to calls other than for the Explorers own fire department
- Climb any aerial device
- Climb any ladders over 14 feet in height
- Handle any power tools, electric, gasoline, or hydraulic
- Fight any internal structure fire at any time
- Provide or perform any service that would normally be provided by trained police or other emergency personal, whether trained personal be available or not
- Any activity prohibited by Fire and Emergency Helps Manual

Organizing Explorer Protocol

- Elect an explorer Commander for your department – yearly
- Turnout gear will be provided by your department
- Explorer post shall have adult advisors from each department

- At least two adult advisors will be present during explorer Training

Membership into the Random Lake District Explorer Firefighters requires approval of the Chief Officers of your own department

Fire Department Pagers

- Pagers will be issued upon completion of Step I
- While wearing the pagers, Explorer Firefighters must act in a professional manner!
- PAGERS ARE NOT TO BE WORN DURING SCHOOL!
- Explorer Firefighters are to notify their advisors IMMEDIATELY if a pager is lost or does not work

Explores must follow all traffic laws when responding to the firehouse on a call!

NO Explorer Firefighter will be allowed in the station without someone already there...ZERO TOLERANCE!

All Explorer members of the Random Lake District Explorers Post will follow these guidelines whenever the Explorer Firefighters are involved in any of the fire department operations! Regardless if it is training, emergencies, or other activities!

SAFETY FIRST!