

Douro-Dummer Fire Services Policy

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Section: Human Resources

Subject: Social Media & Pictures

Purpose: To Ensure Privacy is maintained

Scope: This Policy applies to firefighters and officers

Policy:

Personal cameras or cell phones are not permitted to be used at any emergency scene we are dispatched to, unless approved. One exception is for fire related calls to capture the beginning or growth of a fire to help with cause and origin, these pictures must be submitted and not be disclosed to anyone else. Fire Apparatus with cameras or tablets is encouraged to take pictures/video upon arrival without hindering an effective response. Pictures/video at training is preferred to be taken by approved personnel, but may be taken for personal professional growth for your own use only. Training pictures/videos that want to be shared through any means must be submitted and approved. Pictures/video during public events are only to be done by approved personnel.

Responsible use of social networking, electronic communications, or other media technology must be conducted in a manner that does not discredit, embarrass, dishonor, and/or position our organization in a potential legal or liability situation.