

Douro-Dummer Fire Services Policy

Policy 1.02B

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Section: **Protective Clothing & Equipment**

Subject: **Wearing of SCBA**

Purpose:

To establish policies and procedures to protect firefighters during training and while performing their duties at emergency incidents.

Scope: Applies to all personnel

Policy:

It is the policy of the DDFS that all personnel expected or likely to respond to, and function in areas of atmospheric contamination, shall have available and be trained in the proper use and maintenance of self-contained breathing apparatus.

Procedure:

SCBA shall be worn under the following condition(s):

- a. Any structural firefighting
- b. When an unknown atmosphere is suspected of being hazardous
- c. When the atmosphere is known to be hazardous
- d. When the atmosphere may rapidly become hazardous
- e. When firefighters are working below ground or inside a confined space (unless the safety of the atmosphere can be established by testing and continuous monitoring)
- f. In an oxygen deficient atmosphere