

# Hackettstown Volunteer Fire Department

## Cataract Hose Company No.1 Vigilant Hook & Ladder Company No.1

### Application Process

**Step 1:** Fill out and return Preliminary Application and meet with Company's investigating Committee

**Step 2:** You will receive materials to have your fingerprints taken for a criminal background check.  
(Note) If you have been arrested and convicted of a 4<sup>th</sup> degree crime or greater your application will be rejected.

**Step 3:** After your background check is complete, you will receive a State of New Jersey application. You will need to receive a doctor's physical and answer all questions on this application. When completed, forward this application to your company's Captain.

**Step 4:** After your application is in order, you will be approved by the Hackettstown Council and have to serve a 6 month probationary period.

### Requirements For Active Membership

1. You must live in Hackettstown for 6 months prior to applying for membership.
2. You must be between the ages of 18-45
3. You must maintain a company required percentage for all calls, drills, and meetings totaled for the Calendar year.
4. You must complete Firefighter 1 (about 180hrs) or equivalent within 2 years of becoming an active member.
5. You will be required to purchase a dress uniform after your 6 months probationary period. The company will pay upfront cost. The member will have to pay the company back at the rate determined by your company.

### Benefits For Becoming A Member

1. Helping your fellow citizens.
2. Life Insurance from the Town of Hackettstown while active member.
3. You may receive a Clothing Allowance at the end of each year while an active member.
4. After serving and maintaining the State required percentage for 7 years, you will receive a death benefit for life, from the Fireman's Association of New Jersey

By signing this I have read and understand everything on this page

Application signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_