

Legislative Responsibilities

Fire Protection and Prevention Act

▶ **Municipal responsibilities**

- ▶ 2. (1) Every municipality shall,
 - ▶ (a) establish a program in the municipality which must include public education with respect to fire safety and certain components of fire prevention; and
 - ▶ (b) provide such other fire protection services as it determines may be necessary in accordance with its needs and circumstances.

▶ **Methods of providing services**

- ▶ (2) In discharging its responsibilities under subsection (1), a municipality shall,
 - ▶ (a) appoint a community fire safety officer or a community fire safety team; or
 - ▶ (b) establish a fire department.



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- ▶ Ontario Regulation 365/13 (O. Reg. 365/13) requires that fire safety assessments and inspections if necessary, be undertaken as directed by the Fire Marshal for:
 - ▶ (1) every building for which a fire safety complaint is received; and
 - ▶ (2) every building for which a request for assistance to comply with the Fire Code is received and the involvement of the Chief Fire Official is required.



Fire Services

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- ▶ **Vulnerable Occupancies (Ontario Regulation 364/13)**
 - ▶ Care, care and treatment, and retirement homes
 - ▶ Requires that fire drills be observed, and
 - ▶ Fire safety inspections be undertaken
 - ▶ Require prescribed information for which a fire safety inspection is undertaken to be filed with the Fire Marshal
 - ▶ Fire Chief responsibility



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Occupational Health and Safety Act

- ▶ Volunteer firefighters considered employees
- ▶ Mandated to meet requirements of Act
 - ▶ Emergency response
 - ▶ Training
 - ▶ Harassment and discrimination
 - ▶ PTSD Prevention Program (MOL)
 - ▶ Equipment (supply and maintain)
- ▶ Section 21 Guidelines/Procedures for Fire Service
- ▶ Firefighter Training
- ▶ Mandatory Certification of all Firefighter/ Officers/Fire Prevention Officers to NFPA Standards O/Reg. 343/22 enacted July 1 2022 with complete compliance by July 1 2026 All specialty rescue complete compliance by July 1 2028

