

# Fire Department

Emergency Number 911 or (207) 596-6552

Business Number: (207) 596-7167

Steven Hallett, Fire Chief, (207) 458-4802

Michael Root, Deputy Fire Chief, (207)691-4030

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The Owls Head Fire Department has 23 members. The department presently has 5 pieces of apparatus - 3 Engines, 1 Tanker, and 1 Rescue Boat. The department is a member of the Knox County Mutual Aid Association in which the 17 member towns support each other with equipment and personnel in cases of emergency. The department meets 2 times per month for training, the first Thursday and the third Thursday at 6:30PM.

If you are interested in stepping up and helping your neighbors by joining the Owls Head Fire Department you can send an email to the following email address and just state that you would like to join.

[firechiefhallett@owlshead.maine.gov](mailto:firechiefhallett@owlshead.maine.gov)

## Outdoor Fires

All outdoor fires except for campfires require a written, or online burning permit. Permits are issued free of charge by the Town Fire Warden or Deputy Warden, or you can obtain a burning permit online by following the below link:

<https://apps1.web.maine.gov/burnpermit/public/index.html>

For information on burning or to obtain a burning permit call the following people: Steven Hallett, Town Warden (207) 458-4802, Michael Root, Deputy Town Warden (207)691-4030 .

All burning permits are issued the day of the burn and are dependent upon the wind and weather conditions, time of day, length of burn, materials being burned, the number of fire permits issued for that day, and the number of personnel available in town.

## 911 Building Numbering

Dear Building Owner of Owls Head;

The following are instructions for the new Enhanced 911 house and rural mail delivery numbering. The reason for the change is, of course, so that responders can find your residence in case of an emergency.

All owners of structures shall place the number assigned to that structure within sixty (60) days of the official notice date of October 1, 1999. Assigned numbers shall be posted in the following manner:

a. **Number on the Structure or Residence.** Where the residence or structure is within fifty (50) feet of the edge of the road right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed on the front (facing that road) of the residence or structure near the entry door.

b. **Number at the Street Line.** Where the residence or structure is over fifty (50) feet from the road right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed on a post, fence, wall, mail box, or on some structure at the property line next to the walk or access drive to the residence or structure. Note – If a mail box is being used to post an address point. The mail box shall be the only one present and shall be on the same side of the road as the residence or structure. Numbers shall be four (4) inches minimum in height.

b.1. **For Rural Mail Delivery.** If mail is delivered by rural carrier the mail box owner or person responsible shall also place their house number (and street name if the box is off premise) on his/her mail box. Note – HC or HCR numbers will no longer be used.

c. **Size and Color of Numbers.** Numbers shall be displayed in a contrasting color and a minimum of four (4) inches in height, six (6) inch preferred, bold block type, and shall be plainly visible from the road when approaching from either direction. Note – in most cases brass, gold, silver or chrome numbers are not

acceptable unless on very dark or black backgrounds. Reflective material is highly recommended.

c.l. **Numbers and road names** on mail boxes not being used for building identification are not required to be four (4) inch in height. [off premise and/or multiple mail boxes]

d. Every person whose duty it is to display the assigned numbers shall remove any and all different numbers that might be mistaken for, or confused with, the numbers assigned in conformance with this ordinance.

e. **Interior Location.** All residents and other occupants are requested to post the assigned numbers and road name next to their telephone for emergency reference.

New Construction. Whenever any residence or other structure is constructed or developed it shall be the responsibility of the new owner to obtain an assigned number from the Owls Head Fire Dept. [Chief Steven Hallatt (207) 4584802]. Numbers shall be posted before occupancy of the building takes place.