



## WADING RIVER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

### *1.6 Members/Employees Hazardous Chemical Protection and Right-To-Know Policy*

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

As a member/employee of the Wading River Fire District, you have the Right-To-Know about hazardous chemicals in your workplace. To protect these rights, the district has enacted the Fire District's Right-To-Know Policy. All members/employees of the Wading River Fire District, who have the potential to be exposed to hazardous chemicals, can read the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) located in the engine bays off both Headquarters and Station 2.

Fire-Fighters are introduced to Right-To-Know policies during new member/employee orientation. Officers are required to ensure that all personnel are informed of safety and health related issues. For questions concerning Right-To-Know for fire-fighters contact the Wading River Fire Chief or the Safety Officer.

This policy was established in 1995 and is officially called the "Wading River Fire District Members/Employees Hazardous Chemical Protection and Right-To-Know Policy". Some chemicals are excluded from the policy, including chemicals covered by certain federal acts; alcoholic beverages and articles for personal consumption, and consumer products that are considered normal use products.

Training is provided to alert you to dangers in the workplace, provide information on worker safeguards, and provide an understanding of members/employee's rights in the policy. Chemical-specific training will be provided to those who handle hazardous chemicals on a regular basis. All members / employees are advised as to the importance of hazardous material labeling.

Material Safety Data Sheets are available at each firehouse, should a new chemical product come into use a "MSDS" will be provided.

#### Contact Information:

For questions concerning Right-To-Know at the Wading River Fire District, contact the Right-

To- Know Coordinator.

Resource Information:

Wading River Fire District Right-To-Know Program on Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)

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