

**COUNCIL POLICY C-FD06****Dangerous Goods Emergency Response**

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to develop and implement a dangerous goods response protocol, as required by Parkland County's Master Plan for Fire Protection (approved by Council October 1990).

POLICY STATEMENT

Parkland County provides fire protection services based predominately on a fire system operated by Parkland County and through agreements with other municipalities. It is important to define the limits of the level of dangerous goods training and response to clarify the role of the Parkland County Fire Services in these incidents.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Parkland County Fire Services districts.

MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Fire Chief is responsible for implementing, monitoring, and evaluating this policy.

STANDARDS

1. Parkland County Fire Services, subject to the limitations imposed by the nature of its personnel and the resources available to it, shall provide dangerous goods response training to its district fire departments only to a First Responder Operational Level as defined in the National Fire Protection Association Standard # 472.
2. Parkland County Fire Services shall maintain agreements with neighboring municipal fire departments to enable responses to level two or level three incidents, where the neighbouring municipal fire departments have this experience training level.
3. Parkland County Fire Services shall maintain an inventory of private or industrial specialized dangerous goods response resources to be called upon in the event of level two or level three incidents.
4. Subject to availability of resources and personnel, the Parkland County Fire Services shall facilitate the cleanup and recovery stages of a dangerous goods incident, but will not conduct these stages utilizing fire department personnel, nor will it jeopardize volunteer fire fighters' lives or health in undertaking these jobs.