

**TORRINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 93-64**

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Title: **Personal Protection, Apparatus Occupants**

Purpose: To assure that all Torrington Fire Department personnel are properly protected by personal protective equipment issued and worn by the personnel.

Procedures:

64.1 Protection for Apparatus Occupants

Safety of all personnel while operating or riding in department vehicles is an important concern of management, and is regulated by OSHA 1926.601(b)(9) (49 CFR Part 571 Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards).

The driver shall not move the vehicle unless all personnel are properly protected.

The officer on the piece shall assure the crew is properly seated, belted, and properly protected before allowing the vehicle to leave quarters, return to station, or otherwise move.

64.2 Seat Belts

All personnel driving or riding in department vehicles (or in personal vehicles on official department business) shall have their seat belts on and buckled whenever the vehicle is in motion.

64.3 Protective Gear

Helmets will be worn, and secured by the strap, by all personnel riding in the open areas (jump seats) of apparatus.