



# Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation

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*serving the Town of Volney since 1948*

3002 State Route 3  
Fulton, NY 13069

Dear Prospective Member,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation. Before completing the application, every potential member is asked to read the information in this packet. This information will help you decide what classification of membership is best for you. It will also help you decide whether you feel you can fulfill the obligations of that membership category. You should carefully review this outline before making your decision. We encourage you to contact one of the membership committee, Executive Line officers, Fire Line officers or Board Members if you have any questions about the membership process and membership options.

Once you have decided that being a volunteer with the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation is for you, complete the application and return it to any member who will forward it to the Vice President who chairs the membership committee or mail it to the address above. Once your application has been submitted, you will be contacted to attend our next monthly meeting (second Wednesday of each month) to begin the process. We will keep you updated on the progress of your membership until you are either accepted or denied membership.

Again, thank you for your interest and we look forward to considering your application for membership into the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation.

Sincerely,

The Membership Committee  
Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation



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## Membership Classifications

The following classifications of membership are according to Article 3, Section 1 of the Constitution and By Laws of the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation. The Membership Committee encourages you to carefully review the requirements and benefits of each classification before completing the application.

**Active:** Consisting of regular and probationary firefighters who are members in good standing. To be in good standing, the member must have a minimum of 24 hrs. of drill or state classes (12 hours must be in-house drills). A member must have a minimum of 50% of the total Corporation meetings during the past year (Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> –Nov. 31<sup>st</sup>). A member must have a minimum of 15 fundraising hours (excluding field days). The member must also follow their Bingo team schedule as produced by the bingo chairman or follow an approved set of alternate duties given to the member by the Bingo chairman due to conflict in personal scheduling. The member must also maintain a 15% or better ratio of all alarms throughout the previous year (Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> –Nov. 31<sup>st</sup>).

**Restricted:** Restricted members are between the ages of 15-18 years old. These members will have no voting privileges but must abide by all governing documents of the corporation. This member must submit a letter of approval from their legal guardian and a sponsor who is a member of the corporation already. If not sponsor is available then it is at the chief's discretion to be a potential member's sponsor. They must fill out a regular application also. These members will be directly under the chief's supervision. Curfew for these members is 10 pm Sunday through Thursday and is at the legal guardian's discretion on weekends and holidays/vacations from school. He/she WILL NOT attend ANY corporation activities during school hours (educational reasons). Restricted members become eligible for probationary members upon reaching his/her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Acceptance is based upon a favorable majority vote at a regular business meeting. At that time the transfer will take place immediately.

**Support Member:** The purpose of the support member is to work any corporation sponsored event or utilize any special skills or training to positively benefit the corporation. The process of becoming a support member will be the same as other membership categories. Their first year will be known as their orientation year. These members will be directly under the president's supervision. These members' requirements to remain in good standing will be to volunteer their service to the corporation for a minimum of 80 hours a year. If the member fails to make this requirement the dead weight process will be the same as the other member categories. These members will, abide by all corporation governing documents as all members are expected. These members have no limit to where they can live in respect to the two mile rule. These members can attend meetings for informational purposes only. These members will be issued a key to buildings. These members can be appointed to serve on a committee; the only exception to this will be the By-Law and Finance committees. Special consideration will be made for these two committees only when (3) three criteria are met. The first criteria is that these members must have formal vocational or educational training/experience in a pertinent manner to the committee they wish to participate in. The second criteria are these members must be appointed by the president to said committee. The third criteria are that after the first (2) two are met they must be approved by a (2/3) majority vote of the membership in a regular monthly business meeting. These members may chair a committee as long as the above (3) three criteria are met. If approved to participate on the finance or by-law committee and/or approved to chair a committee, the added requirement of attending 50% of total corporation meetings will be added to the 80 hour minimum. The president will appoint (1) one member to act as a liaison to the executive board to represent all support members. These members will not be permitted to participate in any emergency call or drill with the exception of providing refreshments at an emergency alarm. These members will not hold blue light cards or operate a blue light. These members will not hold blue light cards or operate a blue light. These members will not run or be appointed to an elected position of this corporation. There will be no cap to the number of support members the corporation will have.

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315-593-7473



## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

(please print clearly)

Type of Membership  
Applying for:

- Active
- Support
- Restricted

### Personal:

Legal name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ S.S. #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Federal Law prohibits age discrimination)

Are you over the age of 18 yrs.? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's license #: \_\_\_\_\_ State Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License class: \_\_\_\_\_ License Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you resided at the above address? \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ months

Have you ever been convicted or plead guilty to a felony? (Misdemeanor, insurance fraud, arson, or a reduction of one of these offenses) If 'yes', please explain below. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is your availability to participate in the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation?

**Weekdays:** days \_\_\_\_\_ afternoons \_\_\_\_\_ nights \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekends:** days \_\_\_\_\_ afternoons \_\_\_\_\_ nights \_\_\_\_\_

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### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date application received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date reviewed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Presented: \_\_\_\_\_

Date voted on for membership: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Received: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted as a member: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment:**

Are you currently employed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been employed by this company? \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ months

May we contact this employer? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employers: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever served in the military? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If 'yes', what branch? \_\_\_\_\_ served: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Education/Training:**

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Highest grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you still in school? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years completed?: \_\_\_\_\_

Course of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any previous fire/rescue experience: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ How many years?: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list department(s) name, address, service dates, chief's name, and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any NYS approved fire school, training, medical certification that you have certificates for: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

May we contact your previous department? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been a member of the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Served in VVFC from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Health:**

Is there any reason your current health condition would restrict your actions or participation as an emergency services Responder in the Volney Volunteer Fire Corporation?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If 'yes', please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In order to become a member, you must retain a physical examination per OSHA regulations. Are you willing to undergo a physical exam?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**References:**

Please list three personal references (other than members of this corporation), who have known you for at least 3 years:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any members of this corporation that you care to list as references:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**In accordance with the Freedom of Information Law, all information contained or obtained herein will remain confidential and will be used for internal membership processing only.**