

# Current Version

## AVON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

### By-Laws

### *Article I*

**Subject:** Name, Mission Statement and Structure

**Effective Date:** 30 April 2009

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## **Summary of Proposed Changes to By-Laws Article I:**

- Regular Member definition
  - Change “Emergency Response Personnel” to “firefighter”
  - Remove “Active Veteran”
  - Add “that have completed their probationary period”
  - Add exclusion for Explorer and Honorary Members.
- Member in Good Standing definition
  - Add “Regular or Explorer” to clarify which member types are included
- Added definitions for Corporation and Department from the Operations Manual

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