



2017 Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs



Fire Chief of the Year Awards

The Kentucky Association of Fire Chief is proud to announce The 2017 Fire Chief of the Year awards that will be presented on August 20, 2017 at the Annual Leadership Conference. We will be honoring both a Volunteer and Career Fire Chief from the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We know how hard all Fire Chiefs are working across the Commonwealth and we feel it's the least the Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs can do to recognize two outstanding public servants.

AWARD CRITERIA

Two awards will be presented on August 30, 2017; one for a career fire chief and one for a volunteer fire chief.

1. A **volunteer fire chief** is defined as one who earns his or her principal livelihood by some means other than serving as a fire chief, even if the position of chief carries some compensation.
2. A **career fire chief** is defined as one who earns his or her principal livelihood as a fire chief.

In each category, the status of the fire department as a whole — paid, volunteer or combination — is not considered.

Individuals who are eligible for nomination and selection as Fire Chief of the Year are limited to active chiefs of departments.

Selection criteria will emphasize leadership, innovation, professional development, integrity, service to the public and contributions to the fire service as a whole.

All of a nominee's fire service activities and accomplishments will be considered, but, because this is the Fire Chief of the Year award, special emphasis will be placed on the period from July 2016 through July 2017. A nominee's command role at a major emergency incident, while relevant, will not be enough to place that individual into contention for the award.

A cover letter on the nominating organization's letterhead, describing in less than 1200 words the nominee's major accomplishments and why the candidate is being nominated.

SELECTION PROCESS

Each nomination packages will be reviewed by the Executive Board of the Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs. The Executive Board reserves the right to omit an award.

PRESENTATION

Winners will be announced at the Opening Ceremony of the 2017 Leadership Conference on August 30, 2017 in Bowling Green Kentucky.

DEADLINE

Deadline- must be received by August 1, 2017

Please complete the nomination form attached