

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Number of Members and Terms of Office

Purpose:

To document the number of members and length of terms of office.

References:

Cross Reference:	Policy 1114	Oath of office
Legal Reference:		RCW 29A.60.270
beginning of terms		Local officers,
	RCW 29A.60.280	Commencement of term of office
	RCW 29A.04.133	Qualified
	RCW 52.14.010	Number
	RCW 52.14.020	Increase from three to five commissioners-- Election
	RCW 52.14.060	Terms of first elected commissioners

Policy:

The Board of Fire Commissioners shall consist of five elected members. Except as otherwise provided by law, commissioners shall hold office for terms of six years until their successors are elected and qualified. Terms of commissioners shall be staggered as provided by law.

Newly elected Commissioners shall take the oath of office after election results have been certified.

The oath of office must be taken as the last step of qualification as defined in RCW 29A.04.113 but may be taken either

- (a) Up to ten days prior to the scheduled date of assuming office; or
- (b) At the last regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners held before the winner is to assume office.