

Smoke Detectors

The department offers free smoke detectors to residents. Most of the funding for the free detectors comes from the Nichols Trust Fund which was established after a family of four lost their lives in a house fire in Wellington. By state law, landlords are required to have smoke detectors installed before any tenant moves in. After the tenant moves in, it is their responsibility to maintain the smoke detectors. Smoke detectors are required in each sleeping room, and one on each floor in a common area. If you need a smoke detector or advice on installation or placement, call the fire department at 326-7443. **SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!**

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Carbon Monoxide detectors should be installed in every level of a home. They provide early detection of a deadly and odorless gas that can go undetected until it's too late. Have your furnace inspected annually by a professional. Do not use ventless heaters of any type inside, and never run a vehicle in a closed garage.

2016 Tornado Shelters

SRMC

1323 North A Street
24 Hours (PETS IN CARRIERS)
Southeast basement entrance
(marked with sign)

Summer Care Center

1600 West 8th Street
24 Hours (NO PETS)
Rear entrance under carport
(marked with sign)

Fire Hydrant Testing

Fire hydrants are tested annually in conjunction with the water department to ensure that each fire hydrant is working efficiently and to ensure that available water flow for fire suppression is present. Hydrant testing dates will be posted on the cities website, and with local media. Testing may cause temporary water discoloration.



FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Visit www.cityofwellington.net

for more information about the City and your Fire & EMS department.

Please fill out the customer satisfaction survey if you have required our services.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Wellington Fire/EMS mission is to prevent the occurrence of fires, suppress the fires that do occur and provide emergency medical care to the injured and sick.



Wellington Fire & EMS Department
200 North C Street, Suite 200
Wellington, Kansas 67152
620-326-7443

City of Wellington Fire and Emergency Medical Services

STAFFING

The department is staffed by three shifts of six firefighters per shift. The department has a minimum of four firefighters on duty 24 hours a day. Administrative staff consists of an Administrative Assistant, and a Fire/EMS Chief.

RESPONSE AREA

The department provides fire and rescue services to the City of Wellington, Sumner County Fire Districts 6 & 7, and mutual aid to our neighbors. Emergency medical services are also provided to the City of Wellington and to approximately 442 square miles of Sumner County including 26 miles of the Kansas Turnpike. Annually, the department responds to an average of 2300 Fire & EMS calls. We also partner with Arkansas City and Winfield to provide a regional hazardous materials team.

TRAINING

Personnel are cross trained to perform firefighting and emergency medical services. Staff is also trained to deliver other services such as water rescue, hazardous materials, technical rescue, and fire investigation. Our staff attends hundreds of hours of training each year to maintain required certifications, and to keep abreast of new techniques. Some of that training is acquired at regional, state and national schools.

EQUIPMENT

Our apparatus consists of two Engines, one Aerial, one Tender, two Brush trucks, three Ambulances, two Rescues, two administrative pickups, a hazardous materials response trailer, technical rescue response trailers, and two boats on loan from emergency management.

PREVENTION

The department offers a variety of prevention education services, including tours of the station, safety house trailer demonstration, fire extinguisher training to businesses and organizations, elementary school presentations, and participation in community events as requested. Call the department for more information or to schedule.

We offer a youth fire setter program to youth who have demonstrated fire setting tendencies. It's imperative that educational intervention or other assistance be done in the early stages of fire setting. If you know or have a child who is in need of fire setter education, please contact the fire department at 326-7443.

Be prepared for a natural disaster. Our website tells you what you need for a Home Disaster Kit. Tornadoes are our major threat, so be prepared. Monitor the conditions with weather radio or radio/television news. Prepare a home tornado shelter plan or know where the nearest shelter is available to you.

We inspect over 400 structures each year. The department presently enforces the 2009 edition of the International Fire Code. It is the responsibility and obligation of owners and/or the building occupant to maintain a safe building for their employees, customers, students, renter, patients, & guests.

CALLING 911

Call 911 in the event of an emergency. Do not call administrative numbers as personnel are not always at the station due to emergency calls and other activities. Your 911 call will go to the Sumner County Emergency Communications Center located at the courthouse. Dispatchers will then notify us by pager and radio.

BUDGET / ISO RATING

The Fire & EMS operating budget for 2016 is \$1,926,110. The operating budget does not include lease payments for our apparatus or other large purchases. Revenue includes ambulance billing, fire district coverage contracts, county subsidy for ambulance service, and grants.

Our ISO (insurance services office) fire rating for the City of Wellington and any structure within 5 miles of the station and within 1000 feet of a fire hydrant receives a (4) rating. This rating directly affects a structure's fire insurance premium. ISO grades on a scale of 1 to 10; 1 is the best and 10 means the structure is beyond the 5 mile limit of a fire station.

OPEN BURNING

No burning is allowed within the city limits of Wellington unless a burn permit is issued. See the fire department section of the city website for more information. Permit burning will only be allowed under special circumstances.

AMBULANCE BILLING

All ambulance payments should be mailed or taken to City Hall located at 317 S. Washington. If you have any questions concerning your ambulance bill call 620-326-3538.

DONATIONS

The city has an ambulance service trust fund setup so individuals or businesses can donate towards the purchase of EMS equipment and training. To make a donation call the city offices at 620 326-2811 or the fire department at 620 326-7443.