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### Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Department of Labor and Industry
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	<u>16 VAC 15-30-190</u>
<b>Regulation title</b>	Fire fighting
<b>Action title</b>	Permissible volunteer fire fighting activities for minors ages 15, 16, and 17.
<b>Final agency action date</b>	August 7, 2008
<b>Document preparation date</b>	June 5, 2008

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#### Summary

*Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

This final exempt regulation is submitted to bring the regulation into compliance with state law. The General Assembly amended the Code of Virginia, at § 40.1-79.1. to permit counties, cities, or towns to authorize by ordinance any person residing anywhere in the Commonwealth, aged 16 years or older, who is a member of a volunteer fire company within such county, city, or town with parental or guardian approval, to seek certification under National Fire Protection Association 1001, level one, firefighter standards, as administered by the Department of Fire Programs; and to work with or participate fully in all activities of the volunteer fire company, provided the minor has attained certification under National Fire Protection Association 1001, level one, firefighter standards, as administered by the Department of Fire Programs.

#### Statement of final agency action

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

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Pursuant to legislation enacted by the General Assembly to amend the Code of Virginia, at § 40.1-79.1., the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry is submitting this final exempt regulatory action for publication in the July 7, 2008 issue of the Virginia Register, to become effective on August 7, 2008. This action will amend the Virginia Administrative Code, at 16 VAC 15-30-190, Fire fighting.

**Family impact**

*Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.*

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This regulatory action should have a minimal impact on the institution of the family and on family stability.