

GALLIPOLIS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Uniform Awards, Training and Commendations

Members, during the course of their duties, may be awarded a uniform ribbon for various achievements or actions.

These award ribbons shall be worn on the right breast of the uniform shirt or Class A jacket, just above the nametag.

Years of Service Commendation:

A solid red ribbon with a Maltese cross representing each five (5) years of service will be presented to members.



Five Years



Ten Years



Fifteen Years



Twenty Years



Twenty-five Years



Thirty Years



Thirty-five Years



Forty Years



Forty-five Years



Fifty Years

Firefighter Level I Commendation

A white and maroon ribbon bearing the Roman numeral I will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Level I Ohio Certified Firefighter Training.



Firefighter Level II Commendation

A white and red ribbon bearing the Roman numeral II will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Level II Ohio Certified Firefighter Training.



Fire Officer I Training Commendation

A white, yellow, red, yellow, and white ribbon bearing the lettering "Fire Officer 1" will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Fire Officer 1 training.



Fire Officer 2 Training Commendation

A blue, yellow, red, yellow, and blue ribbon bearing the lettering "Fire Officer 2" will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Fire Officer 2 training.



Fire Instructor Commendation

A red, black, and red ribbon bearing the lettering "Fire Instructor" will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Fire Instructor Certification training.



Fire Safety Inspector Certification

A black, blue, red, blue, and black ribbon bearing the lettering “Fire Safety Inspector” will be presented to members who have successfully completed the Fire Safety Inspector certification training.



Department Treasurer

A dark blue, black, and dark blue ribbon bearing the lettering “Department Treasurer” will be presented to members who are or have served as treasurer with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Department Secretary

A purple, gray, and purple ribbon bearing the lettering “Department Secretary” will be presented to members who are or have served as secretary with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Chaplain

A red, white, and red ribbon bearing the lettering “Department Chaplain” will be presented to members who are or have served as Chaplain.



Safety Officer

A yellow, green and yellow ribbon bearing the lettering “Safety Officer” will be presented to members who are or have served as safety officer.



Lieutenant

A dark blue ribbon bearing the lettering “Fire Lieutenant” will be presented to members who are or have served as lieutenant with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Captain

A medium blue ribbon bearing the lettering “Fire Captain” will be presented to members who are or have served as captain with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Battalion Chief

A light blue ribbon bearing the lettering “Battalion Chief” will be presented to members who are or have served as battalion chief with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Assistant Fire Chief

A white ribbon bearing the lettering “Assistant Chief” will be presented to members who are or have served as assistant fire chief with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Fire Chief

A maroon ribbon bearing the lettering “Chief of the Department” will be presented to members who are or have served as a fire chief with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



James A. Northup Memorial Award Commendation

In honor and in memory of long-time Fire Chief, James A. Northup, a blue, white, blue, white, blue, white, blue, white, blue, white and blue colored ribbon will be presented to members who have attained twenty (20) years of service with the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Honor Guard Commendation

A red, white and blue ribbon inscribed with “Honor Guard” will be presented to members who have participated as an honor guard at the National Firefighters Memorial.



Firefighter of the Year Award Commendation

This red ribbon with fire emblems will be presented to members who have been selected as “Firefighter of the Year” by a majority vote of the fire officers of the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Fire Officer of the Year Award Commendation

This dark blue over maroon ribbon, bearing the lettering “(year) OFFICER OF THE YEAR” will be presented to officers who have been selected as Officer of the Year by a majority vote of the firefighters of the Gallipolis Fire Department.



Meritorious Conduct Award Commendation

A red ribbon, inscribed with “Meritorious Conduct”, will be presented to members for exceptional conduct involving exemplary courage and risk to personal safety, but less than required for the Medal of Valor. The City Manager or Fire Chief may present this award.



Life Saving Award Commendation

A white and red ribbon will be presented to members whose on-duty actions directly contributed to the saving of a human life. The City Manager or Fire Chief may present this award.



Medal of Valor Award Commendation

A white, blue, and white ribbon, inscribed with “Valor”, will be presented to members for exceptional conduct involving exemplary courage and great risk to personal safety, but less than required for the Medal of Honor. The City Manager or Fire Chief may present this award.



Medal of Honor Award Commendation

This white and blue colored ribbon, inscribed with "Honor" and a uniform medal inscribed with "Medal of Honor" will be presented to members who have voluntarily distinguished themselves by extraordinary heroism. The member must have been fully aware of the imminent threat to their personal safety and have acted above and beyond the call of duty, at risk of their own life. The Fire Chief or City Manager must recommend this award and a majority of the City Commissioners must concur. Such uniform medal will be worn, centered above all other uniform ribbons.



Order of Ribbons

Available commendation ribbons are shown in their order of precedence. Years of service pins begin on the lowest level, closest to the firefighter's right arm. Higher precedence ribbons are added to the firefighter's left to a maximum of three ribbons per row. Additional rows are centered above the lower row. The Medal of Honor Commendation will always be worn centered above any other ribbon or group of ribbons.

