

**§ 39-3. Chief of Department and Deputy Chief of Department. [Amended 2-25-2004 by Ord. No. 04-02 ; 8-24-2005 by Ord. No. 05-19 ; 8-7-2006 by Ord. No. 06-28 ; 3-23-2011 by Ord. No. 2011:07 ]**

- A. The Township Committee shall appoint individuals to serve as the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief of the part-paid and volunteer Fire Department of the Township of Pennsauken who shall have direct authority and control over all Battalion Fire Chiefs and other officers of the Fire Department as well as paid and volunteer firefighters within the Department.  
**[Amended 5-4-2023 by Ord. No. 2023:08]**
- B. The Fire Chief **and Deputy Fire Chief** shall receive such compensation or stipend for services as shall be provided for by Salary Ordinance of the Township of Pennsauken.
- C. The qualifications for holding the office of Fire Chief **and Deputy Fire Chief** of the Township of Pennsauken Fire Department shall be as prescribed by the State of New Jersey Civil Service Commission.
- D. The tenure of the Fire Chief **and Deputy Fire Chief** shall be governed by the statutes and regulations of the State of New Jersey.
- E. The Fire Chief shall be responsible for reporting directly to the Director of Public Safety with regard to all activities of the Township Fire Department.
- ~~F. The Deputy Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Director of Public Safety with input from the Fire Chief and shall meet the following qualifications:~~
- ~~(1) Five years of service to the Pennsauken Fire Department;~~
  - ~~(2) State of New Jersey Fire Officer II certification;~~
  - ~~(3) State of New Jersey Incident Management System Level II certification;~~
  - ~~(4) National Incident Management System I700 certification.~~
- G. ~~The Deputy Fire Chief shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and Township Committee.~~ The Deputy Fire Chief shall be responsible for reporting directly to the Fire Chief and the Director of Public Safety **and shall assume all duties and responsibilities of the Fire Chief in his/her absence.**