

Department of Environment and Labour

Non-Adjudicative Board Selection Criteria

NON-ADJUDICATIVE		Fire Services Advisory Committee
1	Statute	Fire Safety Regulations made under Section 51 of the Fire Safety Act
2	Purpose	The Fire Services Advisory Committee advises the Minister on Provincial legislation and policies with respect to the delivery of fire services.
3	Functions	The Committee advises the Minister on such matters that are referred to the Committee for consideration by the Minister; receives and hears petitions, briefs, and comments from individuals or groups with respect to Provincial fire services; and recommends legislation, policies, and practices to promote efficiency in the administration and operation of emergency fire services.
4	Composition	<p>The Council must be composed of the following members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the Fire Marshall or the Fire Marshall's representative; b) a representative from the Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations Department, as selected by the Deputy Minister of that Department; c) a representative from the Fire Inspectors Association of Nova Scotia, as selected by that association; d) three representatives from the Fire Officers Association of Nova Scotia, as selected by that association; e) a representative of the firefighters in Nova Scotia who are unionized, as selected by the Minister; f) a representative of the Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Service, as selected by the Regional Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality; g) a representative of the of the Cape Breton Regional Fire Service, as selected by the Regional Council of the Cape Breton Regional Municipality; h) a representative of the industrial fire brigades, as selected by the Industrial Fire Brigades Committee; and i) up to three additional members, as selected by the Minister. <p>The Minister must designate one member of the Committee as Chair.</p>
5	Formal Qualifications	The Fire Fighter representative must be unionized.
6	Work & Experience Requirements	Three additional members require depth and breadth of knowledge and experience in the delivering of fire services, and knowledge of the Fire Safety Act and it's application.
7	Skills Required	All members should possess general skill requirements including: ability to exercise fair judgement; good communication skills; a high degree of integrity and a good reputation amongst their peers.

8	Statutory/Traditional Nomination Requirements	There are none, but usually a representative of a larger group with an interest in fire safety and liability issues is preferred.
9	Term of Appointment	Members of the Committee, who are not also a member of the Fire Safety Advisory Council, are appointed for a term not exceeding 3 years, and may be reappointed.
10	Remuneration	Members of the Committee serve without remuneration.
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	New board, time commitments to be established.
12	Other Notes	