Welcome to OFIRS
Ohio Fire Incident Reporting System
General tips for ALL Reports

Don’t forget to add occupants & owners names
$ Dollar Loss is an estimate $ 

There are several methods of calculating Dollar Loss: 
Ask a contractor the replacement value 
Contact the Insurance Agent 
Check with the homeowner 
County auditor’s website
NARRATIVE IS NECESSARY AND REQUIRED FOR ALL FIRE RELATED INCIDENTS
Reporting All Incidents Helps your department make good decisions about the needs of your community.
Grants Opportunities

• By reporting to OFIRS you are also reporting to NFIRS (National Fire Incident Reporting System)

• Several organizations use NFIRS data: NFPA, FEMA, CPSC, ISO, BOCA, EPA

• Many of these organizations offer grant funds.
## Incident Type Categories

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DO NOT USE INCIDENT TYPE 100 OR 110
THE GOOD NEWS

INCIDENT TYPES

113 - 118

ARE CONFINED STRUCTURE FIRES

and DO NOT REQUIRE

Completion of the FIRE MODULE

BUT $ LOSS CAN NOT EXCEED

$5000
## Fire Incident Types

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Cooking Fires

- **Contained** cooking fire is Incident Type 113 (fire module NOT required)
- A cooking fire that extends beyond the stove would be Incident Type 111.
- Area of Origin 24
- Equipment Involved in Ignition: Range (646) or Oven (645)

- Make & model are only important **IF** the equipment failed to operate properly.
A Cooking Fire Should be Equipment Involved In Ignition 645 or 646
Chimney Fires

• A contained chimney fire is Incident Type 114
• If the chimney fire spreads beyond the chimney then it would be Incident Type 111.
• Fire module - Area of Origin 52
• Be sure to include the Equipment Involved in Ignition; chimney, fireplace, wood stove, etc.
• Dollar loss & narrative are important
Incident Type 118 is a contained Trash Fire INSIDE a structure
Incident Type 151 is a Trash Fire OUTSIDE a structure
Outdoor Toilet

- A favorite target of juvenile firesetters
- Incident Type 112
- Specific Use 926
- Area of origin 25
- Remember dollar loss $$$
- Arson or juvenile?
Dryer Fires

- Incident Type Code 111
- Equipment Involved in Ignition 811
- Heat Source 11, 12 or 13
Utility Poles

- Should be coded Incident Type 162
- Even if the fire department does not extinguish the fire, it is still reported as Incident Type 162

Remember to include Equipment Involved in Ignition
Mulch Fires

• In order to track this type of fire we need to be consistent in coding
  • Incident Type 140
  • Specific Use 931–965
  • Area of origin 90-94
  • Items 1st ignited 44
  • Type of material 1st ignited 61
  • Dollar loss
Vehicle Fires

incident type 130 - 138

Action Taken

Specific Use (900 series)

Vehicle Information
EXPOSURES

• An exposure to the original incident is any property of value not connected to the structure of origin.

• A house fire that spreads to the car in the driveway is a structure fire with the vehicle being exposure 001.

• A house fire that damages the car in the garage is a structure fire with the car considered contents.
If the fire starts here, the vehicle inside the garage is at risk.

Vehicle inside the garage is contents.
If the fire starts here, a vehicle outside that is damaged becomes an exposure.
At least one Action Taken is required.

If you have extinguished a fire,
11 should be at the top of the list

You can enter as many actions as you would like but only the top 3 are sent to the Marshal’s office & USFA
Specific Use Code

• Is a required field

• Vehicle fires do not usually start in the residence (419) but rather in the garage (881) or (882) or in a residential driveway (962) street (961) or parking lot (965)

• 419 should ONLY be used for residential structure fires
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### Scene Address

City: Reynoldsburg
State: OH
ZIP Code: 43068
Census Tract: 

### Aid Given or Received

- N None

### Specific Property Use

- 965 Vehicle parking

### Times (ALM->CLR: 02:53:00)

- Dispatch Notif: 
- First Arv Scene: 19:48:00
- Controlled: 22:00:00
- Last Clr Scene: 22:35:00

### Actions Taken

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Fire Casualties

- Many of the national statistics are based on YOUR reports
- Age is an important factor when developing educational or safety programs
- HIPAA is not an issue because the information is statistical in nature
Fire Module

- Number of buildings & type
- Area of Origin
- Heat Source
- Type & form of material 1st ignited
- Cause of Ignition
- Factors contributing to Ignition
- Human factors contributing to Ignition
Is it residential?
What code did you use in Specific Use?

How many buildings are involved?

You must have a number in the residential Living Units
OR
Check the Not Residential box.
These two fields should be describing the same item.

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<td>Match</td>
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These 2 fields are now required
Equipment Involved in Ignition is indicated by Heat Source 10, 11, 12 or 13.
Equipment Involved

or Mobile Property
Include Brand & Model if the Equipment is defective otherwise just complete the 3 required fields.

A Dryer is not portable.
Smoke Detector & Sprinkler information are important.
Based on YOUR reports

Ohio Residential Fires

Cause of Ignition
If you choose the check box “fire spread was confined to object of origin” in the Fire Module then you must check the same box in the Structure Module.

Fire Spread in the structure module would have to be 1.
Children Playing with heat source is an important statistic

In order to track this valuable information you will need to specifically use the following 3 fields:

1. **Heat Source** = be specific was it a lighter, candle, stove?

2. **Factors Contributing to Ignition Codes** = 19

3. **Human factors contributing to Ignition** = 7

and then list their **AGE**
ARSON/SUSPICIOUS

- Cause of Ignition
- All 3 codes can indicate Arson/Suspicious
- (1) Intentional
- (5) Under Investigation
- (U) Cause undetermined after Investigation
- Use these 3 codes with care
Mutual Aid

• Giving Mutual Aid means actually arriving on the scene and participating in the incident
• If you are receiving Mutual Aid, you include only your apparatus & personnel
• You MUST list the departments giving or receiving aid to your department
Good Data

• Correct codes
• Dollar Loss
• Fire Casualties
• Narrative
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Upload Fire Report Data

Monthly Totals of ALL Incidents by FDID

Ohio Statistics
This process is for submitting Fire Report data ONLY to the Ohio Fire Incident Reporting System (OFIRS) -- EMS files are not accepted at this site.

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