

(A) IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR THE BENEFITS, POINTS SHALL BE CREDITED TO EACH VOLUNTEER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

(1) 1 POINT SHALL BE CREDITED FOR EACH HOUR OF ATTENDANCE IN A RECOGNIZED TRAINING COURSE, PROVIDING THAT NOT MORE THAN 25 POINTS MAY BE CREDITED FOR ALL TRAINING COURSES ATTENDED PER YEAR.

(2) 1 POINT SHALL BE CREDITED FOR EACH COMPANY OR COUNTY DRILL ATTENDED IN ITS ENTIRETY, PROVIDING THAT NOT MORE THAN 25 POINTS MAY BE CREDITED FOR ALL DRILLS ATTENDED PER YEAR.

(3) 1 POINT SHALL BE CREDITED FOR EACH OFFICIAL COMPANY OR COUNTY MEETING PERTAINING TO CHARLES COUNTY FIRE SERVICES OR RESCUE SERVICES ATTENDED, PROVIDED THAT NOT MORE THAN 25 POINTS MAY BE CREDITED FOR ALL MEETINGS ATTENDED PER YEAR.

(4) 1 POINT SHALL BE CREDITED FOR EACH CALL TO WHICH A VOLUNTEER RESPONDS, PROVIDING THAT NOT MORE THAN 40 POINTS MAY BE CREDITED FOR ALL CALLS RESPONDED TO PER YEAR.

(5) 25 POINTS SHALL BE CREDITED FOR COMPLETION OF A 1-YEAR TERM AS AN APPOINTED OR ELECTED OFFICER IN ANY OF THE FIRE OR RESCUE SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS OF CHARLES COUNTY PROVIDED THAT NOT MORE THAN 1 OFFICE SHALL BE COUNTED IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR.

(6) 1 POINT SHALL BE CREDITED FOR EACH HOUR OF ACCEPTABLE COLLATERAL DUTIES SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, APPARATUS AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE, ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES, OFFICIAL STANDBY AND FIRE PREVENTION, PROVIDING THAT NOT MORE THAN 25 POINTS MAY BE CREDITED FOR ALL COLLATERAL DUTIES PERFORMED PER YEAR.

(7) UNTIL JULY 1, 1984, A VOLUNTEER MEMBER WHO SERVES, OR HAS SERVED, FULL TIME MILITARY SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL RECEIVE CREDIT AT THE RATE OF 5 POINTS FOR EACH MONTH SERVED PROVIDED THAT NOT MORE THAN 50 POINTS CAN BE CREDITED FOR ANY CALENDAR YEAR. A MAXIMUM OF 4 YEARS OF CREDITABLE SERVICE MAY BE ACQUIRED IN THIS MANNER. AFTER JULY 1, 1984, CREDIT SHALL BE GIVEN ONLY TO ACTIVE VOLUNTEER MEMBERS WHO ENLIST OR ARE CONSCRIPTED INTO THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES. NEW VOLUNTEER MEMBERS WITH PREVIOUS MILITARY SERVICE SHALL NOT RECEIVE CREDIT FOR SUCH SERVICE.

(B) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE CREDIT FOR SERVICE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1974, EACH UNIT SHALL REVIEW ITS PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERSHIP ROSTERS TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF YEARS OF CREDIT TO WHICH EACH MEMBER OR PAST MEMBER IS ENTITLED. IN MAKING THIS ANALYSIS, THE STANDARDS FOR ACTIVE SERVICE SHALL BE USED AS GUIDELINES. APPROVAL FOR SERVICE SHALL BE CERTIFIED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH DEPARTMENT OR SQUAD. IF A VOLUNTEER MEMBER HAS SERVICE IN MORE THAN 1 UNIT THAT PERSON SHALL RECEIVE CREDIT FOR THE SERVICE IN EACH ORGANIZATION PROVIDING NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR'S CREDIT MAY BE GRANTED FOR EACH CALENDAR YEAR OF VOLUNTEER SERVICE.