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# Voluntary fire brigade of the municipality of Nastätten

## Stand up!

Only with a large team  
we can help quickly.







PLATOON LEADER  
like Rolf?

EQUIPMENT MANAGER  
like Carsten?

ATTACK SQUAD  
like Uwe?

SQUAD LEADER  
like Vanessa?

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like Maik?

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR  
like Carolin?

YOUTH FIRE BRIGADE  
like Julian?

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## You are required!

The commitment for the voluntary fire brigade contributes considerably to let the people in the region feel safe. Only with a large team we can help quickly and competently.

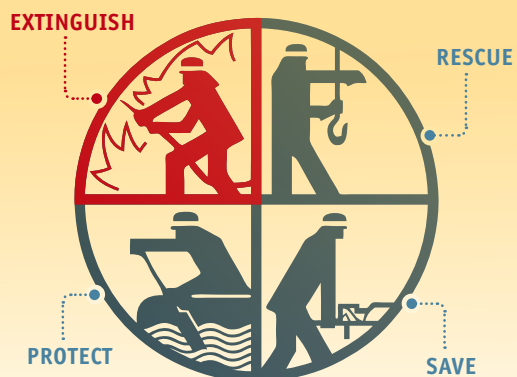
Around 700 voluntary fire fighters are looking forward to welcome you in the team! **How can you participate? We would be pleased to advise you and to promote your skills.**

*Stefan Wöll, Head of the Fire Fighters VG Nastaätten*



## In which cases will the fire brigade be called?

The fire brigade is called whenever people or animals could get or already got into different kinds of dangerous situations – on an average up to 90 times\* in one year.



### › 53 % Firefighting

For example: house fires, fires of roof structures or within a chimney as well as fires of vehicles, forests, dustbins or industrial companies

### › 47 % Technical Assistance, Rescue Services, Civil Protection

For example: traffic accidents, injuries of persons as well as the search of missing persons, oil slicks and leaking operating materials, weather damages like flood or tree removal, power failure or animal rescue.

**False alarm:** Every possible danger has to be proofed. When arriving at the place of action luckily approx. 2% of the operations turn out to be a false alarm.

\* Average value 2010 – 2012: 86 operations. Here you will find all operation statistics of the voluntary fire brigades of the municipality of Nastätten: [www.vg-nastaetten.de/feuerwehr](http://www.vg-nastaetten.de/feuerwehr)

## TRAINING

## Do I need an initial and continuing education?

Being a firefighter cannot only be exercised it also has to be studied so that you can react properly in case of an emergency and operation. Therefore, not only basic training courses are offered, you even have many opportunities for continuing education and: **chances for advancement!**

### BASIC TRAINING

Basic Training Course	MUNICIPALITY LEVEL
First Aid	MUNICIPALITY LEVEL
Troop Man (Part 2)	MUNICIPALITY LEVEL

### QUALIFICATION COURSES

Radio Courses	DECENTRALIZED TRAINING ORGANIZED ON DISTRICT LEVEL
Breathing Protection	DECENTRALIZED TRAINING ORGANIZED ON DISTRICT LEVEL
Squad Leader	TRAINING ORGANIZED ON DISTRICT LEVEL
Machine Operator	TRAINING ORGANIZED ON DISTRICT LEVEL

### CONTINUING COURSES

Group Leader	LFKS*
Platoon Leader	LFKS*
Formation Leader	LFKS*
Technical Rescue	LFKS*

We are pleased to provide further information about other subject areas!  
\* LFKS: Fire brigade and civil protection school, Rheinland-Pfalz



### One word regarding »voluntary«

**Fire protection is ensured in rural regions (and also in many cities) by voluntary personnel.**

However, everyone joining the organization takes responsibility and duties, your team as well as people who get in an emergency situation rely on you.

These efforts are highly appreciated and rewarded!

## EMPLOYER

## What does the employer actually say about it?

At alarm the employee leaves his workplace during work hours for an indefinite period. The only thing that the employer is losing is the actually time of labour, as the wage **costs are covered**.

› **HEUCHEMER at Miehlen** is thinking of his company as well!



**We release our employees from work!**

*It is a point of honour for us! The quick and unselfish help has protected us from bad damages already in the past. We are thankful for that and support the operations by the exemption of the employees in case of emergency!*

*Christian Heuchemer, Managing Director*

› **EATON Industries at Holzhausen** sets a high value on safety!



**Safety concerns all of us!**

*The fire brigade does not only protect the people, but also real values that are the livelihoods for a considerable part of the people living in the region.*

*The exemption of the employees in case of emergency is our contribution and a matter of course for us.*

*Thomas Pfeiffer, Safety Specialist*



### The statutory duty of exemption

... does unfortunately not exist in Germany! Indeed, it happens that employers do strictly not allow the employee to leave the workplace in case of alarm. Luckily there are only a few of them.

› **Your employer would not exempt you despite your efforts to persuade? Contact us, we may have some more convincing arguments ready.**



# Alarm!

How are the procedures when the fire brigade is in action?

## 1. THE ALERTING

The fire fighters and the siren are activated by radio. Now it means: proceed quickly to the equipment building, equip and start!



## 2. AT THE PLACE OF ACTION

Due to regular trainings and clear structures everybody knows what to do.

### › Protect the place of action

The priority is to protect the place of action!

### › Explore the situation

Estimating the hazards, start measures (human rescue, firefighting, etc.)

### › Is further support necessary?

Alarm of additional units, request for special auxiliary equipment and devices, etc.

### › Recovery

Of objects, hazardous materials, safeguarding measures, ...

### › Fire extinguished?

Before the place of action can be released it has to be searched for possible dangers. If necessary a team of fireguards will stay at the place of action.

### › Withdrawal from the place of action

Hand over the place of action to the owner or to the police.

## 3. AFTER THE OPERATION

As there can be another alarm at any time, vehicles, technology and the complete equipment have to be made ready for use immediately after the operation.

**After the operation is prior to the next operation!**

FOR EXAMPLE:

### Accident with hazardous material nearby Holzhausen

In summer 2005 a tank truck loaded with hazardous material departed from the lane and broke through the guard rail of the roundabout Holzhausen. After setting up wide ranging fire protection measures and after the accident site was largely blocked off, the cargo was transferred by means of extensive special equipment into a second tank truck and was ensured.

**In that case the greatest challenge was:** In total the operation took 36 hours and was carried out by several fire brigade units in shifts. During that time the lanes could only be used partly.

