



## FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

April 30, 2023

Progressive Field | Cleveland OH

### REQUIREMENTS

All Firefighter Challenge participants are timed during their climb at Progressive Field and are to wear full structural firefighting personal protective equipment which meets current NFPA standards. This includes boots, turnout coat with pant liners, helmet, gloves, and SCBA harness with air cylinder. SCBA facepieces and hoods do not need to be worn. Firefighters will not be on air. SCBA tanks are to be full. No axes or halligans. Turnout gear and tanks must be clean, and gear may be inspected before your flight time. All firefighter participants competing in the Challenge must meet the gear requirements and be retired from or current firefighter who is volunteer, part-time, or full-time at their department.

### AWARDS

Team awards will be given in two categories. Winning teams will receive the traveling trophy for their category. Winners will be announced after official times are reported and funds raised through Tuesday, May 30, 2023, are tallied.

**Fastest Firefighter Team** - (Note: This is not a relay.) Awarded to the team with the fastest team average time. The fastest Firefighter Team will be determined by taking the top three individual times from each team, no matter how large or small the team. Only team members participating in full structural gear will qualify for challenge times.

**Top Fundraising Firefighter Team** – Awarded to the team with the highest overall fundraising total, no matter how large or small the team. Remember each participant has a \$100 fundraising minimum requirement due to participate.

**Top Fundraising Firefighter** – This year, the top fundraising firefighter at each Climb nationwide will earn the chance to be included in the annual Fight For Air Climb Firefighter Calendar and in '24 Fight For Air Climb Cleveland promotional materials.

**Individual Timing Awards** – Please visit the Day of Event Details page at [ClimbCleveland.org](https://ClimbCleveland.org) Event Week for the most current information on award categories for this year's event.

### CHALLENGE FAQS

**How many team members do we need?** Each team must have at least 3 members to compete in the official Firefighter Challenge, but all are welcome to climb.

**Am I required to climb in gear?** Only firefighters wishing to partake in the Fastest Firefighter Category must climb in full gear and will be verified on Climb Day. Those not climbing in full gear can still qualify for the Top Fundraising Firefighter Team Category.

**Do I need to have a mask and oxygen tank?** NFPA standards require a harness with an air cylinder. Facepieces and hoods do not need to be worn. While tanks need to be full, firefighters do not need to be on air while climbing.

**Where do I pin my race bib?** Please pin chipped timing bib to outer front of pant leg. DO NOT attach to air tank as it interferes with reading the timing chip.