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GHANA NATIONAL FIRE SERVICE ACT - 1997 (ACT 537)

Section - 1 - Establishment Of Ghana National Fire Service.

There is established by this Act a Ghana National Fire Service in this Act referred to as "the Service".

Section - 2 - Membership Of The Service And Scope Of Act

(1) The Service shall consist of-

- (a) personnel enlisted in the National Fire Service in existence immediately before the commencement of this Act; and
- (b) other persons who may be enlisted in the Service.

(2) The Chief Fire Officer shall assume command of any fire fighting institution in the country during a national emergency or disaster.

Section - 3 - Objective Of Service.

The objective of the Service is to prevent and manage undesired fire.

Section - 4 - Functions Of The Service.

For the purpose of achieving its objective, the Service shall perform the following functions-

- (a) organise public fire education programmes to -
 - (i) create and sustain awareness of the hazards of fire; and
 - (ii) heighten the role of the individual in the prevention of fire;
- (b) provide technical advice for building plans in respect of machinery and structural layouts to facilitate escape from fire, rescue operations and fire

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