## **SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 8**

**Standard Operating Procedures** 

10.04.18 EMPLOYMENT OF COUPLES



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**Purpose:** To comply with the Family Medical Leave Act and District Policy regarding leave for couples employed by the District.

References: Family Medical Leave Act

## **Procedure:**

- 1. If both a member and his/her spouse or domestic partner works for the District and the member requests leave for the birth, adoption or foster care placement of a child, to care for a new child, or to care for a sick parent, the total annual FMLA leave available to the member as a couple for those purposes is a total of 12 weeks.
- 2. Each spouse is, however, eligible for the full 12 weeks of leave in the 12-month leave period to care for a child, spouse, or registered domestic partner with a serious health condition, or for either employee's own serious health condition.