

Kure Beach Fire Department 608 K Ave. Kure Beach, NC 28449



June 1, 2020

To the Residents and Business owners of Kure Beach,

The Insurance Service Office (ISO) recently completed a re-evaluation on the quality of fire protection for the Town of Kure Beach provided by the Kure Beach Fire Department.

The analysis reviews in depth the following:

- Emergency Communications (emergency reporting and dispatch systems and their capabilities)
- Fire Department Operations (equipment, staffing, training, response times, facilities, equipment maintenance and testing, record keeping)
- Water Supply Systems (amount of water available for firefighting, inspection and flow testing and maintenance of fire hydrants)
- Fire Risk Reduction Efforts (fire prevention codes and enforcement, public fire safety education, fire investigations)

ISO's Public Protection Classification (PPC) grading scale ranges from a Class 1, which denotes "superior property protection" to Class 10, which indicates that an areas fire protection does not meet the minimum criteria established by ISO. Lower ratings reflect the quality of a fire department and the services that it provides, and usually translate into lower-cost property owners insurance premiums for customers of insurance companies that use ISO information.

The Kure Beach Fire Department has been a Class 5 Fire Department since 2007. As the Fire Chief for the Town of Kure Beach, I'm pleased to inform you that as a result of our recent evaluation by ISO, the Kure Beach Fire Department will receive the designation of:

ISO Class 2 Fire Department

This designation will become effective September 1, 2020. This is a direct reflection of the dedication of the paid and volunteer staff of our department, Town Council, Kure Beach Public Works, 911 Dispatch, and our neighboring departments that provide mutual aid assistance.

Please contact your insurance provider to determine how the new ISO Classification will impact your residential/commercial property.

Sincerely,

Edmund Kennedy

Fire Chief