

Think Safety Not Salty





This is Johnny. Many of you may recognize him from the Quartermaster at the Fire Academy. Johnny is not a firefighter; however, he understands the risk firefighters face due to occupational cancer. Johnny loves being a part of the FDNY family and cares deeply about each and every one of us. So much so, that he has taken it upon himself to educate firefighters when they come and see him.

- Take a tip from Johnny "think safety not salty" to minimize your personal exposure risk:
- Shower and change into clean clothing as soon as possible after a fire. "Place the firefighter back in service first".
- Use gear bags to transport bunker gear and never store your gear in living areas of your firehouse or home.
- Wash off bunker boots after a working fire.
- Wash your protective hood following every exposure to minimize your risk.
- Clean the inside liner of your helmet regularly (and replace when necessary).
- Send contaminated PPE to the Decon Support Unit for cleaning. (Fax form EDR-1).