

# When Firefighters Get a Call

When firefighters get a call, it means someone needs help, usually because there is a fire or some other emergency. Here's what happens step by step:

1. **The Call Comes In:** Someone calls 911 to report a fire or an emergency. This call goes to a dispatcher who works at the fire department.
2. **Dispatcher Alerts the Firefighters:** The dispatcher tells the firefighters what the emergency is and where it is happening. This is called dispatching.
3. **Firefighters Get Ready:** As soon as they hear the call, firefighters quickly put on their special gear. This gear protects them from heat and flames.
4. **Jumping into the Fire Truck:** Firefighters hurry to their fire truck, which has all the tools and equipment they need for fighting fires, like hoses and axes.
5. **Racing to the Scene:** The fire truck speeds to the location of the emergency. They use sirens and lights to alert everyone on the road to get out of the way.
6. **Assessing the Situation:** When firefighters arrive, they check to see what is happening. They look for smoke or flames and make sure everyone is safe.
7. **Putting out the Fire:** If there is a fire, firefighters work together to put it out using water or other fire-fighting methods. They follow special procedures to do this safely.
8. **Helping People:** If there are people in danger, firefighters rescue them and make sure everyone is safe from harm.
9. **Finishing Up:** After the fire is out, firefighters check for any remaining hot spots. They also clean up and make sure the area is safe.
10. **Returning to the Station:** Once everything is taken care of, they go back to the fire station and get ready for the next call.

This is how firefighters quickly and bravely respond when they get a call for help!