

AUTHORITY TO APPOINT VOLUNTARY FIREWARDENS 9405

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The Director has the authority, under Public Resources Code (PRC) 4151 and 4156, to appoint Voluntary Fire Wardens.

a) The Director has the authority, under PRC 4151, to appoint citizens (non-peace officers) as Voluntary Fire Wardens. Voluntary Fire Wardens designated under PRC 4151, shall promptly report all fires and take immediate and active steps toward their extinguishment, report any violation of forest and fire laws and perform other duties as the Director may require. These other duties shall be clearly displayed in the appointment designation.

b) Voluntary Fire Wardens designated under PRC 4156 have the powers conferred by law upon peace officers listed in Sections 830.37 of the Penal Code. These peace officers may carry firearms only if authorized and under terms and conditions specified by their employing agency.

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