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NFPA 1901-2009 Effectivity

This standard shall apply to all new fire apparatus that are:

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- Is **always** an active fire service officer
NFPA Standards

- Main chapter information is mandatory
- Annex information is recommended, explanatory or supplemental
Firefighter Safety Statistics
2006 Firefighter Deaths by Type of Duty

- **43%** Fire Ground
- **21%** Responding to/Returning from Alarms
- **20%** Non-Fire Emergency
- **9%** Other On-Duty
- **7%** Training
Firefighter Safety Statistics

Firefighter Deaths: Responding/Returning

- 1994: 22
- 1995: 29
- 1996: 22
- 1997: 21
- 1998: 14
- 1999: 26
- 2000: 19
- 2001: 23
- 2002: 13
- 2003: 36
- 2004: 23
- 2005: 23
- 2006: 19
- 2007: 26 (prelim.)
Firefighter Safety Statistics

Firefighter Deaths: Responding/Returning

- 406 deaths from 1977 to 2006
- 76% were NOT belted
Vehicles Involved in Crash Deaths

- Firefighters’ own vehicles (37.7%)
- Tankers/tenders (22.7%)
- Engines/pumpers (21.7%)
- Ambulances/rescues (6.4%)
- Ladders (2.2%)
- Other public service vehicles (9.4%)
Victim Profile

- 76.4 percent were volunteer firefighters
- 14 percent were career firefighters
- 8.6 percent were contractors for or employees of land management agencies
- Remaining 1 percent were military or industrial firefighters
Additional Items Added to NFPA Standard To Address Safety Statistics
Chapter 3: Definition Changes

- Access Ladder
- Air Quality Monitors
- Bonding
- Combination Vehicle
- Estimated In-Service Weight
- Fire Pump
- Gauge
- Ground-Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI)
- Initial Attack Apparatus
- Low Voltage Circuit, Equipment, or System
- Neutral Conductor
- Neutral Point
- Rear Axle Track Width
- Tow Vehicle
- Trailer
Third-Party Certification of Test Results:

All certification shall be performed by a certification organization accredited for inspecting and testing systems of fire apparatus in accordance with:

ISO/IEC 17020 or ISO/IEC Guide 65
Vehicle data recorders

- Daily, weekly and monthly reports to user
- Logs the following items:
  - Vehicle speed (MPH)
  - Acceleration (MPH/sec)
  - Deceleration (MPH/sec)
  - Engine speed (RPM)
  - Engine throttle position
  - ABS event
  - Seat occupied status
  - Seat belt status
  - Master optical warning device switch position
  - Time
  - Date
Rollover stability requirements

Vehicle shall meet one of the following criteria:

• Vehicle remains stable to 26.5 degrees
  - Tilt table verification
  - Calculated or Measured CG

Or • Apparatus shall be equipped with a stability control system
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Tire pressure monitoring system

Each tire shall be equipped with the following:
• A visual indicator for tire pressure
Or • A monitoring system for tire pressure
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Maximum Top Speed

– Vehicles meeting following criteria shall not exceed 60 mph:
  • 1250 gallon combined water tank capacity
  • GVWR of vehicle over 50,000 lbs.
– Vehicles over 26,000 lbs. shall not exceed 68 mph
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Additional certification requirements:

– Optical warning system certification
– Siren manufacturers’ certification
– Air system certification, when equipped
– Foam system certification, when equipped
– CAFS system certification, when equipped
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Additional documentation requirements:

– Load distribution plan
– Drive axle ratios
– Maximum governed road speed
– Maximum tire speed ratings
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Certification/Statement of Exceptions document

– Certification that apparatus fully complies to standards

Or – A statement of exceptions
A Statement of Exceptions shall include:

- The separate specification of the section of the standard
- A description of the particular aspect of the apparatus not compliant
- Description of further changes/modifications required
- Identification of the entity responsible for making changes, or supplying and installing any missing equipment to achieve compliance
Chapter 4: General Requirements

Statement of Exceptions Document

- A signed document by authorized agent of apparatus manufacturer and the purchasing entity, indicating mutual understanding and agreement between the parties

- An apparatus which is delivered subject to a Statement of Exceptions shall not be placed into service until modified to comply
Ground Ladders

- Step ladders and other types of multi-purpose ladders meeting ANSI A14.2 or ANSI A14.5 with duty ratings of Type 1A or Type 1AA shall be permitted as follows:
  - Substituted for folding ladder requirement
  - Carried in addition to minimum fire department ground ladders specified
Additional loose equipment requirements:

- Five (5) fluorescent orange traffic cones
- Five (5) illuminated warning devices, such as flares
- One (1) traffic vest for each seating position
- One (1) automatic external defibrillator (AED)
Vehicle weight requirement changes

- Permanent label in driving compartment will now specify:
  - The maximum tire speed rating
- Estimated in-service weight will utilize:
  - **250 lbs. in each seating position**
Diesel particulate filter/regeneration

- Regeneration process activated by two methods:
  - Automatically by the engine system
  - Manually initiated by activation of a switch located in the driver’s area

- A switch shall be provided at the driver’s area that will inhibit DPF regeneration until switch is reset or engine reset

- The DPF icon is visible to the driver when seated during activation

- The high exhaust system temperature icon is visible to the driver when seated
Exhaust temperatures

- Exhaust temperature shall not exceed 851°F when measured at the exit of the exhaust pipe during normal DPF regeneration

- **Will require a diffuser on exhaust**
Continuous electrical load requirements:

- For apparatus equipped to tow a trailer, an additional 45 amps shall be added to the minimum continuous electrical load.
  - May require larger sized alternators, and additional components for load management.
Chapter 13: Low Voltage Electrical Systems and Warning Devices

Compartment, work and step surfaces, and walkway lighting requirements:

- Increased from 1 fc to 2 fc requirement
Seat belt web length requirements:

- Type 2 pelvic and upper torso restraint shall be a minimum of 110 inches
- Type 1 lap belt for pelvic restraint shall be a minimum of 60 inches
Seat belt color requirements

- Seat belt webbing shall be either:
  - Bright red
  - Bright orange
Seat belt warning system

– Shall consist of both an audible and visual warning device visible from driver and officer position indicating:
  • Buckled and senses occupant
  • Buckled and no occupant
  • Unbuckled and senses occupant
  • Unbuckled and no occupant
Chapter 14: Driving and Crew Areas

Reflective striping

- Retro reflective material (96 sq. in) required for any door of apparatus designed to allow persons to enter or exit
Chapter 14: Driving and Crew Areas

**Fire helmet restraints:**

- A location for helmet storage shall be provided
- If stored in driving or crew compartment, helmets must be secured in compliance with 9G restraint requirements

*A label stating “DO NOT WEAR HELMET WHILE SEATED” shall be visible from each seating position*
Cab integrity testing

- All cabs with GVWR greater than 26,000 lbs. shall meet either:
  
  • SAE J2420 regulations
  
  • ECE Regulation 29
Chapter 14: Driving and Crew Areas

Cab rear view mirrors

– All primary rear view mirrors used by driver shall be adjustable from the driver’s position.
Access ladders

– All access ladders shall have at least eight (8) inches clearance between the rung and body or obstruction
Handrails and hand holds:

- Constructed so that three (3) points of contact can be maintained at all times while ascending and descending.
Chapter 15: Body, Compartments, & Equipment Mounting

Reflective striping

- At least 50% of the rear of the apparatus shall be equipped with retroreflective striping
  - Stripe shall be six (6) inches in width
  - Colors shall be red and either
    - yellow
    - fluorescent yellow
    - fluorescent yellow green
Ground ladder protection

- Ground ladders shall not be subject to exposure to heat sources of 212 °F or greater

  • May have to have ladders protected when storing in pump areas or near exhaust piping
Receiver and anchors for rope and removable winches:

- Receivers for removable winches shall be designed to provide a 2.0 to 1 straight line pull no-yield safety factor.
- Receivers or anchors installed for use with rope operations shall be designed to provide at least 9,000 lbs. no-yield condition.
Chapter 16: Fire Pumps & Associated Equipment

Combined NFPA 1901-2003
Chapter 16 and Chapter 18

– Pumping system rated into 2 categories:
  • 3000 gpm or less
  • Over 3000 gpm
New analog intake pressure gauge requirements:

- Intake pressure gauge shall read from 30 in. Hg vacuum to at least a gauge pressure of 300 psi

  • Gauge graduation lines on vacuum side every 1 in. Hg with major and intermediate lines emphasized and figures at least every 10 in. Hg
Caps or closures for intake/outlet connections:

- Caps or closures for 4.0” or smaller intake/outlet must remain secured to apparatus
Chapter 19: Aerial Devices

Horizontal and vertical height ratings

- Rated horizontal reach of the aerial may be less than the extended length of the aerial that is used to determine the rated vertical height
- The minimum rated capacity shall remain constant throughout the entire operating envelope of the aerial device
Envelope control technology

- Utilized with Aerial Apparatus in other countries
- Allows for aerial operational window to be controlled by system
- Aerial weight reductions with shorter horizontal reach
- Allows aerials to be packaged with smaller chassis
Stabilizer position and aerial operation

- Aerial devices can be operated over the side with the stabilizers not fully deployed, if:
  
  • An indicator is present at operators position indicating maximum extension in relation to angle of operation based on position of stabilizers
Chapter 22: Line Voltage Electrical Systems

- The neutral conductor shall be colored white or gray.
- The neutral conductor shall be bonded to the vehicle frame.
Chapter 24: Air Systems

The breathing air compressor compartment shall be equipped with a temperature sensing device that actuates an audible and visual alarm when ambient temperature exceeds 140 °F.
Chapter 24: Air Systems

- The breathing air compressor shall have an air quality monitoring system.
Winch shall be equipped with:

- Clutch assembly to permit free spooling and quick removal of the wire or synthetic rope
- Free spooling clutch shall be accessible without reaching under apparatus
Three classifications of trailers:

- Type I
  - Trailers designed to remain connected throughout the response event and are dependent on each other for electrical power and conspicuity
Three classifications of trailers:

- Type II
  - Trailers designed to allow separation after arrival at the response and are not dependent on each other for electrical power and conspicuity.
Three classifications of trailers:

- Type III
  - Open trailers designed to transport other vehicles, equipment, or containers that will be removed from the trailer after arrival
Chapter 26: Trailers

Low voltage warning devices for Type I and Type II trailers:

- It shall be connected to the red hazard light in the driving compartment
Optical warning devices for trailers:

- Type I trailer shall meet all requirements of NFPA considering combined vehicle and trailer as a single unit.
- Type II trailer shall meet all requirements of NFPA considering the trailer as a single unit.
- Type III trailer shall meet all requirements of NFPA for lower sides and rear zones (B,C,D).
Reflective Markings for trailers:

- Type I trailer shall meet all requirements of NFPA considering combined vehicle and trailer as a single unit.
- Type II trailer shall meet all requirements of NFPA considering the trailer as a single unit.
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