FIRE APPARATUS DRIVER OPERATOR – PUMPER

SKILLS CHECKLIST

(Revised 9-1-16)

The purpose of this checklist is to provide a mechanism for those individuals who have completed all of the required course work but lack the specified two years of driving experience to attain certification at the FADO-Pumper level.

Applicants are responsible to make all arrangements necessary in order to complete the requirements of this checklist. The applicant should become familiarized with the equipment prior to the evaluation; make all arrangements to obtain equipment, facilities, etc. needed for the evaluation and obtain a qualified evaluator. Evaluators may be a supervisor or a cleared and qualified operator of the apparatus being utilized for the evaluation. In either case, the evaluator must be well versed in the operation of the equipment, the requirements of this evaluation and the requirements of NFPA 1002 Standard on Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications 2014 Edition. If the evaluator is someone other than a duly appointed line officer of the Department then such an officer must countersign this checklist.

Applicant’s Printed Name: ________________________________

Applicant’s Company/Assignment: _________________________
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1. Perform a preventive maintenance inspection on a fire department pumper, to ensure it’s operational readiness. Check all components for proper operation, document results and report deficiencies. **Attach copy of completed PM sheet** (and R&R if required).
   [1002; 4.2.1, 4.2.2, 5.1.1]  
   Including:
   a. Water tank (and other agents if applicable).  
   b. Pump systems.  
   c. Foam systems.  

2. Perform the following practical driving exercises while wearing passenger restraint devices, given a fire department pumper and a spotter for backing, so that the exercises are performed safely and without striking the vehicle or obstructions:
   a. Alley dock.  
      [1002; 4.3.2]  
   b. Serpentine  
      [1002; 4.3.3]  
   c. Confined space turnaround.  
      [1002; 4.3.4]  
   d. Diminishing clearance exercise (in areas with restricted horizontal and vertical clearances).  
      [1002; 4.3.5]
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3. Operate a fire department pumper on public roadways, while wearing passenger restraint devices, over a predetermined route, so that the vehicle is operated safely and in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, etc. [1002; 4.3.1]

   a. Four (4) left turns. ______/________/________

   b. Four (4) right turns. ______/________/________

   c. One (1) mile of straight roadway (urban street or two lane rural road). ______/________/________

   d. One (1) through intersection. ______/________/________

   e. Two (2) intersections requiring the vehicle to stop. ______/________/________

   f. One (1) railroad crossing. ______/________/________

   g. One (1) curve (left or right). ______/________/________

   h. One (1) limited access highway to include an entrance and exit ramp and a section of road long enough to allow two lane changes. ______/________/________

   i. One (1) downgrade steep enough and long enough to require downshifting, throttle adjustment and/or braking to maintain an appropriate speed. ______/________/________

   j. One (1) upgrade steep enough and long enough to require gear changing and/or throttle adjustment to maintain an appropriate speed. ______/________/________

   k. One (1) underpass or low clearance obstacle or bridge. ______/________/________
4. Operate a fire department pumper given an assignment, while wearing passenger restraint devices, using defensive driving techniques so that control of the vehicle is maintained. (Emergency driving exercises should be limited to a driving range or other controlled area.)  
[1002; 4.3.6]  

5. Operate all fixed systems and equipment on the given fire department pumper in accordance with applicable instructions, policies and procedures.  
[1002; 4.3.7]  

6. Position a fire department pumper to operate utilizing a length of intake hose and appropriate tools and fittings so that the intake hose can be connected to the pump connection without excessive kinks and without repositioning the vehicle.  
[1002; 5.2.2]  
   a. From a hydrant.  
   b. From a static source.  

7. Produce effective hand or master streams, so that the pump is engaged, all pressure control and vehicle safety devices are set, the rated flow of the nozzle is achieved and maintained, and the apparatus is monitored for potential problems.  
[1002; 5.2.1]  
   a. From internal tank.  
   b. From a hydrant or relay engine.  
   c. From a static source.  
   d. Transfer from internal tank to external source.
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8. Produce a foam fire stream, given foam equipment, and foam (or a substitute agent), so that properly proportioned foam is produced.
   [1002; 5.2.3]  
   ______/_______/_______

9. Supply water to a fire department sprinkler and/or standpipe system at the proper volume and pressure. (Using training props is preferred for this evolution. If a privately owned system must be utilized, gain the owner’s permission and DO NOT pump water into the system but simulate that portion of the exercise).
   [1002; 5.2.4]  
   ______/_______/_______

Applicant’s signature: _______________________________  Date: ___________

Evaluator’s printed name: _____________________________  Title: ___________

Evaluator’s signature: _______________________________  Date: ___________

Daytime phone number: _______________________________

Officer’s printed name: _____________________________  Title: ___________

Officer’s signature: _________________________________  Date: ___________

Daytime phone number: _______________________________