Rogers Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all department personnel meet the annual training requirements for emergency vehicle operations (EVO) in order to drive and operate emergency apparatus.

POLICY

All personnel are required to complete an annual emergency vehicle operations evaluation. This evaluation will be developed by the Deputy Chief of Special Operations & Training (DFC-SOT) and administered as part of the annual training plan. The evaluation will focus on the requisite knowledge and skills necessary to operate apparatus during an emergency.

It shall be a requirement of this policy that only firefighters certified as relief drivers or higher operate apparatus affected by this policy. This policy shall apply to all emergency response apparatus capable of emergency rescue, fire suppression and emergency medical care except for staff or command vehicles. Personnel will be primarily responsible for the apparatus located within their assigned station.

All firefighters hired after April 1, 2009 shall first complete an NFPA 1002 compliant *Rogers Emergency Vehicle Operators Classroom Course.* As part of the annual evaluation process, individuals may review the curriculum materials for this course as determined by their company officer.

All personnel shall complete each of the following criteria during the annual evaluation process.

- Driving and Operating Exercise
- Lane Change/Offset Alley Exercise
- Confined Space Turnaround Exercise
- Serpentine Exercise
- Diminishing Clearance Exercise

Proximate Stop Exercise

Additionally, each individual shall review all policies referring to the operation of emergency apparatus. A written examination will be completed over emergency response policies within the city of Rogers. This examination may also include materials from the Rogers Emergency Vehicle Operators curriculum.

REMEDIATION & GUIDANCE

Candidates failing the skills evaluation portion of the annual evaluation shall wait a minimum of one (1) month until they can retake their skills evaluation. During that month, candidates must complete at least two (2) additional driving hours and one (1) additional hour of pumping/operating of fixed equipment. This time must be logged to show the remediation on the proper apparatus form per SOP 122.

In the event that an individual is unsuccessful, they shall not be allowed any apparatus until they demonstrate the abilities and knowledge necessary for the operation of emergency apparatus. Upon successful completion of the annual evaluation, individuals may be reassigned as apparatus operators.