
PROTECTION CLASS 8 COMMUNITY

MINIMUM CRITERIA

FIRE DEPARTMENT

There must be an organized fire department with a minimum of 6 firefighters assigned to each recognized station. Only those firefighters residing within 5 road miles of a station will be counted as assigned to that station.

TRAINING

There must be 2 hours of structural firefighting training per month. Training records indicating the date, topic, duration, and attendees for each session must be provided.

FIRE STATION

Apparatus must be housed in a heated building to provide protection from weather.

FIRE REPORTING SYSTEM

There must be some means established to report a fire and to ensure that there is no delay in the receipt of alarms and the dispatch of firefighters and apparatus.

EQUIPMENT

Each fire station must have a fire pumper meeting the requirements of NFPA 1901, including at least 750 gpm pumping capacity at 150 psi, 300 gallon water tank size, and equipment listed below. Proof of a successful pump service test must be provided. Each firefighter must have personal protection clothing meeting the requirements of NFPA.

- 800 feet of 2¹/₂-inch or larger fire hose (1,000 feet if there are fire hydrants)
- 400 feet of 1¹/₂-, 1³/₄- or 2-inch fire hose including two 150-foot lengths of preconnect
- 20 feet of suction hose
- One suction strainer
- Two 2¹/₂-inch handline nozzles
- Two 1¹/₂-inch handline nozzles
- One 2¹/₂-inch double female adapter
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- One 14-foot roof ladder with hooks
- One 24-foot extension ladder
- One 10-foot folding ladder
- Two axes: one flathead and one pickhead
- Two portable hand lights
- Two fire extinguishers for use on A, B, and C fires
- Four SCBA and four spare cylinders

- Four Combination spanner wrenches
- One rubber mallet
- Two hydrant wrenches
- One crowbar
- Two pike poles, 6 and 8 feet
- Forcible entry tools
- Two salvage covers, 12 x 14 feet
- Two-way radio
- One first aid kit
- Two wheel chocks