

Traffic & Roadway Best Practice

Purpose:

To provide consistency and the best possible visibility to crews engaged in traffic control operations and incidents where firefighters are moving about providing duties on roads. (i.e. MVA's, medical assistance or structure fires where equipment is parked on the road)

Practice:

1. Firefighters undertaking traffic control efforts of any kind, must follow Nova Scotia minimum standards for temporary workplace traffic control for emergency services. Recommended all members take the Nova Scotia Emergency Responders traffic management training for emergency scenes.
2. Firefighters working on a roadway must remain visible to passing traffic at all times by wearing a DOT approved vest.

Page 20 of the linked document on Traffic Management Guidelines for Emergency Scenes states that we must meet or exceed CSA Z96-02.

<https://beta.novascotia.ca/sites/default/files/documents/1-1444/emergency-responders-traffic-management-guidelines-en.pdf>

The following linked documents breaks down the 3 classes of High Visibility Safety Apparel. We must meet Class 2, or exceed it.

<https://www.hazmasters.com/documents/CSAZ96-02HiVizApparelSafetyStandardsSummaryJune2010.pdf>