

Driver/Operators Best Practice

Purpose:

To maintain care and control of vehicle while wearing the required personal protective equipment during pump operations.

Practice:

1. All driver/operators should hold the proper Class license with air brake endorsement for the vehicle being driven. Drivers must be competent in the operation of vehicle. It is recommended drivers undertake a recognized driver training program.
2. All driver/operators must complete a 360 prior to moving apparatus.
3. All driver/operators should consider placing the vehicle in the fend-off position when arriving at roadway incidents to protect crews. Crews will exit the cab on the non—travelled side.
4. All driver/operators must wear approved safety footwear while driving or operating apparatus.
5. All driver/operators must wear approved safety helmet or hard hat during exterior pump operations. This includes when equipment is being repacked following an incident.
6. All driver/operators must wear DOT approved reflective jacket or vest which meet the requirements for day and night time visibility.
7. All driver/operators must wear hearing protection.
8. Rules of the road will apply under the Motor Vehicle Act soon to be Traffic Control Act.

<https://nslegislature.ca/sites/default/files/legc/statutes/motor%20vehicle.pdf>

<https://www.nfpa.org/codes-and-standards/all-codes-and-standards/list-of-codes-and-standards/detail?code=1451>