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Title: Hose Testing Authorized By:

Purpose

To provide guidelines for fire hose testing. The Insurance Service Office (I.S.O.) requires an annual service test for all fire hose and also requires hose to be assigned to apparatus. Testing also serves to keep the County's inventory updated.

Policy

It is the policy of all Fire Companies in Prince George County to perform annual service tests on fire hose and also assign specific hose to each apparatus. The Company Chiefs shall be responsible for ensuring that all fire hose assigned to his station has been tested in accordance to the latest edition NFPA 1962: *Standard for the Care, Use, Inspection, Service Testing, and Replacement of Fire Hose, Couplings, Nozzles, and Fire Hose Appliances* on an annual basis. The Company Chiefs shall be responsible to ensure all hose testing is conducted by qualified personnel.

A copy of the latest edition of NFPA 1962 shall be kept at each station and fire administration for reference.

Procedure

See latest edition NFPA 1962: Standard for the Care, Use, Inspection, Service Testing, and Replacement of Fire Hose, Couplings, Nozzles, and Fire Hose Appliances