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PURPOSE

The goal of the Peoria Fire-Medical Department Driver Training Program is to provide comprehensive training to our members and volunteers. To provide them with the skills and knowledge necessary to reduce accidents and limit injuries to themselves and the public we serve and to provide a detailed and comprehensive Driver Training Program for all Fire Department Members with the emphasis on safety and driving skills under all driving conditions.

POLICY

Fire apparatus are much larger and heavier with a higher center of gravity than most other vehicles. The classroom portion of the course is meant to teach the rules of the road, along with the physics of vehicle behavior and the expectations and responsibilities of a professional Fire apparatus driver. During the behind the wheel portions, through the use of repetitive training in a variety of designed exercises and on simulated courses, drivers learn the handling characteristics of a variety of our vehicles. Experiencing turning, braking, clearances and reaction times our members learn to respond quickly and correctly to emergency situations.

Qualifications

Drivers must a valid driver’s license and demonstrate competency in both the classroom and behind the wheel portions of the training. Drivers must successfully demonstrate proficiency in maneuvering the selected apparatus through designated exercises simulating code 2 and code 3 conditions are required to be certified as a Fire Apparatus Driver.

Any member not successfully passing the skills will be rescheduled at a later date for a retake. No member will be allowed to drive any City vehicle until they have successfully passed the Driver Training Program.

Requirements

To be eligible to drive Fire apparatus Code 3, and the Driver Training Program.

All members will complete alternately the classroom or behind the wheel section each year.

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Responsibilities

The Training Division will designate the Driver Training Instructors (DTI) and facilitate the scheduling of the training venue and the members to attend. The content of the training curriculum will also be given to the appropriate DTI's.

Driver Training Instructor

It is the DTI's responsibility to oversee all driver training being performed or will designate a safety officer to do so.

The DTI will document successful completion of the evaluations and test scores. These results will be forward to the Training Division to be filed.

The Driver Training Program will meet or exceed the standard set forth by NFPA 1002 Standard for Fire Department Vehicle Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications and the Arizona Commercial Driver License Program.

All DTI's will have the minimally the Emergency Vehicle Operator Training to qualify as an instructor.

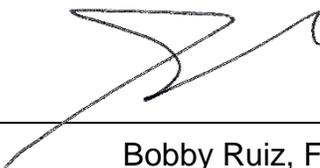
Battalion Chiefs

Battalion Chiefs upon notification of driver training dates and times will ensure all companies are notified and scheduled for attendance. Any change by the Battalion Chief in the crew schedule rotation will be cleared through the DTI to make sure there are no conflicts. They will also to ensure response coverage for the City is maintained at adequate levels.

Department Members

It will be the responsibility of each department member to notify their Battalion Chief if they were unable to attend the drivers training. A make-up date will be scheduled through the DTI to ensure compliance to the Driver Training SOP.

Approved:



 Bobby Ruiz, Fire Chief

06/17/2020

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