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Informational Memorandum 18-02

TO: Colorado Fire and Emergency Services

FROM: Colorado Division of Fire Prevention & Control

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RE: Driver Operator Pumper Certification Requirements

Within the criteria of the certification process for the Driver Operator Pumper certification is a prerequisite for the candidates to be currently certified as Fire Fighter I. At the recommendation of the Colorado Fire Training Officer's Association and the Governor's Colorado Fire Service and Certification Advisory Board, this prerequisite will no longer be required. This policy will go into effect for Driver Operator Pumper certifications and renewals issued on or after **January 1, 2019**. The CDFPC Policy and Procedure Manual will reflect this change as shown below:

9.14.1: Driver Operator Pumper Initial Certification Requirements

- 9.14.1.1: Meet requirements in NFPA 1002;
- 9.14.1.2: Must be minimally Colorado certified at Driver Operator;
- 9.14.1.3: Must be affiliated with a Colorado Emergency Services Agency;
- 9.14.1.4: Pass Written Examination
 - 80% of 100 question examination
- 9.14.1.5: Pass Practical Examination
 - Mandatory and Randomly selected Job Performance Requirements (JPRs)
 - 100% of practical examination
- 9.14.1.6: Written and practical examinations are obtained from the CDFPC
- 9.14.1.7: Must possess current Colorado State Driver's License.

9.14.2: Driver Operator Pumper Reference:

- 9.14.2.1: NFPA 1002, Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver Operator Professional Qualifications;
- 9.14.2.2: NFPA 1500, Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program;
- 9.14.2.3: State of Colorado Driver Handbook (DRP 2337) [07/04]

9.14.3: Driver Operator Pumper Renewal Requirements:

- 9.14.3.1: Renewal documentation shall be submitted to the CDFPC no earlier than 90 days prior to the expiration date and received no later than 90 days after the expiration date via the RMS system.
- 9.14.3.2: The Department Designee by processing the renewal documentation is attesting to:
 - 9.14.3.2.1: The applicant holds a current Colorado Driver Operator Pumper certification;
 - 9.14.3.2.2: The applicant is affiliated with a Colorado Emergency Services Agency;
 - 9.14.3.2.3: The applicant has successfully demonstrated proficiency in all of the skill evolutions identified for the level of certification by having been observed, tested and evaluated

by a person certified at or above this level, the Training Officer, Fire Chief, or department designee. The applicant must meet the Performance Outcome in each JPR while completing 100% of all JPR.

- 9.14.3.2.4: Appropriate local records are maintained documenting completion of requirements.
- 9.14.3.2.5: The applicant meets or exceeds the professional qualifications listed in the NFPA 1002.