Informational Memorandum 18-01

TO: Colorado Fire and Emergency Services

FROM: Colorado Division of Fire Prevention & Control, Professional Certifications and Training Section

DATE: 06/08/2018

RE: Driver Operator Series Updated Job Performance Requirements (JPRs) 
Diminishing Clearance Exercise

Within the Job Performance Requirements (JPRs) for Driver Operator Tender, Driver Operator, Driver Operator Pumper, and Driver Operator Aerial there is the Diminishing Clearance exercise which requires the apparatus be measured from tire bulge to tire bulge using the measurement of the widest axle plus 2” to mark the narrowest portion of the course, which allows the tires to pass with 1” clearance on each side. On the recommendation of the Driver Operator Committee and the Governor’s Colorado Fire Service Training and Certification Advisory Board, the bulge to bulge measurement will increase to 4” which will allow the tires to pass with 2” clearance on each side. This will be in effect for all Driver Operator Series practical events starting on July 1, 2018

Old Language:

Not all apparatus will fit in the dimensions given below. The candidate (prior to the test date) and the proctor (prior to the start of the test) should measure from tire bulge to tire bulge of both the front and rear axle widths of the apparatus being used for testing. Use the measurement of the widest axle plus 2” to mark the narrowest portion of the course. This will allow the tires to pass with 1” clearance on each side. All other lane markers used to diminish the course will need to be adjusted accordingly.

New Language:

Not all apparatus will fit in the dimensions given below. The candidate (prior to the test date) and the proctor (prior to the start of the test) should measure from tire bulge to tire bulge of both the front and rear axle widths of the apparatus being used for testing. Use the measurement of the widest axle plus 4” to mark the narrowest portion of the course. This will allow the tires to pass with 2” clearance on each side. All other lane markers used to diminish the course will need to be adjusted accordingly.

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