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To: All Personnel

From: Director Alvin Benson

Subject: State Fire Apparatus Operator Certification

Effective May 1, 2009, all personnel wishing to take the "Fire Driver" Promotional exam must have their State of Tennessee "**Fire Apparatus Operator**" certification before they will be allowed to take the test. Documentation will be required at sign-up.

In an effort to raise the standards of the Memphis Fire Department and better prepare our employees for future challenges in the Fire Service, the department is adopting this State Fire Commission certification. This certification is based on National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 1002.

The process for obtaining this certification will be as follows:

- Those employees who have recently qualified using the new qualification packets put out March 2008 and have both E-One Engine and E-One Rear-mount Aerial on these new packets only have to challenge the Fire Commission's 150 question written multiple choice test. The new packets have been approved by the State as the practical exam.
- Those employees who do not have both pieces of apparatus listed (E-One Engine and E-One Rear-Mount Aerial) will need to get the piece they need to have both using the new qualification packet and take the written test.
- Those employees that did not use the new qualification packets for either the Engine or Truck qualification will have to submit a new qualification packet for both apparatus and take the written test administered by the State.

In summary you must have both E-One Engine and E-One Rear-Mount Aerial on the new qualification packet which will serve as your practical exam and then submit an application to the State to challenge the written exam. Once completed you will receive an IFSAC approved certification from the State as a Fire Apparatus Operator. **If you fail the written exam you must wait thirty days before you can test again.**

If you have any questions about the process please contact Lt. Dennis Bryant at 354-6705 or Chief Mark Boyd at 354-6780.