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Memorandum

TO: Heads of Fire Departments

FROM: Stephen D. Coan
State Fire Marshal

DATE: September 1, 2011

SUBJECT: 527 CMR amendments

Enclosed with this month's DFS briefs are two amendments to 527 CMR, the State Fire Code.

The first amendment was filed on an emergency basis, eff. 7-29-11, strikes out the BFPR underground storage tank "operator training requirements" from 527 CMR 9.00. (see changes to s. 9.07 Q, R, S,T,U) and was the first of several amendments in this regard, as part of an initiative to transfer this regulatory requirement to the Mass DEP.

The second amendment is in regard to unvented gas products. This amendment, which was eff. as of 8-5-11 allows the appliance to be used in all buildings or structures "used for human occupancy". These amendments allow for a broader application of use of unvented appliances.

If you have any questions, please contact the Code Compliance and Enforcement Unit at 978-567-3375 or in Western MA 413-587-3181.

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527 CMR 30.00: UNVENTED PROPANE OR NATURAL GAS-FIRED SPACE HEATERS

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30.01: Purpose

The purpose of 527 CMR 30.00 is to provide requirements for the installation, maintenance, and operation of unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters.

30.02: Scope

527 CMR 30.00 shall apply to unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters installed in buildings or structures used in whole or in part for human occupancy on or after April 1, 2004. 527 CMR 30.00 shall not apply to unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters permitted in accordance with 527 CMR 20.00: *Use and Maintenance of Temporary Portable Space Heating Devices and Equipment Used in the Construction Industry*.

30.03: Definitions

Malfunction shall mean a condition where a space heater fails to operate properly as provided in the manufacturer's instructions.

Oxygen Depletion Safety Shutoff System (ODS). A device utilized to shut off the gas supply to the pilot or main burner when the oxygen in the surrounding atmosphere is depleted to the percent concentration developed by the manufacturer, but under no circumstances shall the concentration be less than 18% oxygen concentration.

Primary Heat. A heat source that is permanently installed and used to provide heat to the entire structure (e.g. forced hot water, forced hot air) by means of a central furnace or boiler. (e.g. oil, natural gas, wood, pellets, corn, or LPG) or electric heat. 527 CMR 30.03: *Primary Heat* shall not include fireplaces.

Unvented Natural or Propane Gas-fired Space Heater. A permanently installed stand alone gas-fired unvented room heater or gas-fired unvented decorative room heater for connection to the house fuel supply system which utilizes natural gas or propane.

30.04: Installation

(1) A permit shall be obtained from the head of the fire department and the local or state gas inspector having jurisdiction for the installation of all unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters. Said permits shall be conditioned upon final inspection and approval of installation by the head of the fire department and the local or state gas inspector having jurisdiction. A copy of the manufacturer's installation/operating literature shall be submitted with each permit application. Before operation, the Head of the Fire Department and the local or state gas inspector shall inspect the installation for compliance with 527 CMR and 248 CMR: *Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters*.

(2) Unvented gas-fired space heaters may be used only for supplemental heat and/or decorative purposes and under no circumstances shall they provide a primary heat source.

(3) Unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall conform to *ANSI Z21.11.2 - 2000 edition, Volume II*, be equipped with an oxygen depletion safety (ODS) shutoff system and be listed and approved in accordance with 248 CMR.

30.04: continued

- (4) Unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall be installed in accordance with their listings and the manufacturer's instructions. Proper clearances to combustibles shall be maintained. In no case shall the clearances be such as to interfere with combustion air and accessibility.
- (5) Installations shall be of a permanent type, with a permanently piped fuel supply in accordance with 248 CMR. LPG appliances shall be subject to the storage requirements in accordance with 527 CMR 6.00: *Liquefied Petroleum Gas Containers and Systems*. Portable unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall be prohibited.
- (6) Unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall be prohibited in bedrooms and bathrooms.
- (7) Space heaters shall be properly sized for the room or space of installation, but shall not exceed a maximum of 40,000 BTU input per room or space.
- (8) In occupancies with an unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heater, at least one listed carbon monoxide detector shall be installed and maintained in any room or space where said heater has been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Any building wherein said heater is to be installed shall, as a precondition to such installation, have working smoke detectors installed and maintained in accordance with the requirements of 780 CMR: *State Board of Building Regulations and Standards* in effect at the time of construction or if no said requirement was in effect at the time of construction, installed as provided for in M.G.L. c. 148, § 26E.
- (9) In buildings served by an unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heater, a primary source of heat, which is operable, shall be permanently installed and maintained in said building.
- (10) Sellers of unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall provide to each purchaser a copy of 527 CMR 30.00 upon sale of the unit.

30.05: Maintenance and Operation

- (1) The maintenance and operation of unvented propane or natural gas-fired space heaters shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The manufacturer's instructions shall be left with the appliance and made available for any public official.
- (2) Any malfunction of an unvented a space heater shall forthwith be reported by the owner to the head of the local fire department.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY

527 CMR 30.00: M.G.L. c. 148, § 25A.

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EXCEPTION 2: Aboveground pressure vessels constructed in accordance with the requirements of the ASME, *Unfired Pressure Vessels Code* and regulated by M.G.L. c. 146 and 527 CMR 9.07(G) shall be exempt from the requirements for vaults or double-walled tanks.

Approved, approved by the State Fire Marshal.

Automatic Line Leak Detector, a device designed to detect product or pressure losses in a pressurized product line of a remote pumping system.

Board, the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations.

Cathodic Protection System, a technique which inhibits the corrosion of a tank or its components either through sacrificial or galvanic anodes or impressed current.

Class A Operator, means the individual or individuals designated by the owner or operator to have primary statutory and regulatory responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the underground storage tank system. The Class A Operator may hold more than one class of operator position.

Class B Operator, means the individual or individuals designated by the owner or operator to implement applicable regulatory requirements and implement the daily aspects of the operation, maintenance, and recordkeeping for the underground storage tank system. The Class B Operator may hold more than one class of operator position.

Class C Operator, means the individual or individuals designated by the owner or operator to have primary responsibility for responding to alarms, emergencies presented by spills or releases, and other problems associated with the operation of the underground storage tank system. The Class C Operator may hold more than one class of operator position.

Combustible Liquid, Any liquid having a flash point at or above 100°F shall be known as a Class II or Class III Liquid. Combustible liquids shall be divided into the foll

Class II: Liquids having flash points at or above 100°F. and below 140°F.

Class IIIA: Liquids having a flash point at or above 140°F. and below 200°F.

Class IIIB: Liquids having a flash point at or above 200°F.

Components, piping, pumps, and other related storing, conveyancing, and dispensing elements which, together with one or more tanks and any cathodic protection or monitoring system, constitute a storage facility.

Consumptive Use, fuel oil used exclusively for area heating and/or the heating of domestic water on the premises where stored.

Corrosion Expert, a person who, by reason of thorough knowledge of the physical sciences and the principles of engineering and mathematics acquired by a professional education and related practical experience, is qualified to engage in the practice of corrosion control on buried or submerged metal piping systems and metal tanks. Such person shall be accredited or certified as being qualified by the National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) as a Cathodic Protection Specialist or Corrosion Specialist or be a Massachusetts registered professional corrosion engineer. The corrosion expert shall follow applicable NACE criteria.

DEP, The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Department, the Department of Fire Services.

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(3) The owner/operator of the underground storage tank(s) subject a delivery prohibition order shall notify the official issuing said order upon correcting the condition(s) specified in 527 CMR 9.07(O)(1)(a) through (d). The issuing official shall, within 24 hours (Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays excepted) of notification of said corrections shall verify that the corrections have been made. If the conditions have been corrected, the official shall cause the delivery prohibition tag to be removed, and the product supplier notified.

(P) Third-party Inspections.

(1) Prior to August 8, 2010, and at a minimum once every three years thereafter the owner/operator of every underground storage tank shall at his/her own expense cause said tank(s) and related piping to be inspected by a third-party inspector, as defined in 527 CMR 9.02.

(2) Effective August 8, 2007, every newly installed underground storage tank and related piping shall be inspected by a third party inspector, as defined in 527 CMR 9.02, at the time installation is completed.

(3) The Third-party inspectors shall verify that the owner/operator possess the following documents.

(a) A current license for the storage of flammable and combustible liquids issued by the local licensing authority under M.G.L c. 148, § 13, if applicable; and

(b) A valid permit issued pursuant to 527 CMR 9.00, to maintain a new or existing underground storage tank facility; and

(c) A current, accurate and valid underground storage tank registration form (Form FP-290); and

(d) Copies of the manufacturer's operating instructions for all leak detection, tank monitoring and corrosion protection systems; and

(e) Current inspection/testing records for all leak detection, tank monitoring and corrosion protection systems; and

(f) Evidence of financial responsibility; and

(g) Records of any release reporting and investigation; and

(h) Permanent or temporary closure records.

(4) Third-party inspectors shall conduct an inspection of the following underground storage tank system components in accordance with the equipment manufacturers inspection/testing instructions and sound industry practices:

(a) Appropriate and operational corrosion protection (if applicable)

(b) Overfill prevention in place and operational.

(c) Spill prevention in place and operational.

(d) Tank and piping release detection is appropriate, in place and operational.

(e) Secondary containment is in place (if applicable) and operational.

(5) The third-party inspector shall record the results of the document verification, and the inspection on a form or in a format approved by the Marshal. This form shall be signed under the pains and penalties of perjury.

(6) The third-party inspector shall transmit one copy of the inspection form to the Head of the Fire Department and one copy to the Marshal within 14 business days from of the completion of inspection.

(7) The Head of the Fire Department and the Marshal shall routinely conduct random inspections of facilities that have been inspected by third -party inspectors to ensure integrity of the inspection.

(8) Nothing contained in 527 CMR 9.07(P) shall be construed to limit the authority of the Marshal, the Head of the Fire Department or their designees from conducting inspections of underground storage tank systems.

(9) The following facilities shall be exempt from third-party inspection requirements:

(a) Farm or residential tanks of 1100 gallons capacity or less used for storing motor fuel for noncommercial purposes.

(b) Residential or commercial tanks storing or having stored heating oil (fuel oil) for consumptive use on the premises.

(10) The Marshal may, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, suspend or revoke the right of any third-party inspector to conduct inspections required under 527 CMR 9.07(P), if the Marshal determines that any of the following has occurred.

(a) An inspection was not conducted under the direct supervision of the third-party inspector submitting the inspection form.

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- (b) third-party inspector is an owner or operator of the underground storage tank, an employee of the owner/operator of the underground storage tank, or a person having daily on-site responsibility of the underground storage tank.
- (c) The third-party inspector submits false or misleading inspection reports.
- (d) The third-party inspector fails to conduct an inspection in accordance with manufacturers inspection and testing instructions, and accepted industry practice.
- (e) For any other reason which reasonably questions the qualifications of said inspector to continue to conduct further inspections.

(Q) Additional Operator Requirements.

- (1) Written operator response guidelines shall include spill reporting procedure, contact phone numbers, malfunctioning equipment notification procedures, and initial mitigation protocol for emergencies.
- (2) Monthly visual inspections meeting the following minimum requirements shall be conducted at all underground storage systems.
 - (a) Inspection shall be conducted by or under the direction of the Class A or B operator.
 - (b) The results of each inspection shall be recorded in a monthly inspection report and be readily available for inspection for a period of no less than three years.
 - (c) The following items shall be inspected and shall be reported on the inspection report as no defect, defect, and how any defect was resolved:
 - 1. Product shear valve properly anchored.
 - 2. Verify the presence each pressure/vacuum vent cap and if the cap is missing, replace the cap.
 - 3. Inspect each spill bucket for the presence of oil, water, or debris, remove and dispose of any motor fuel, water, or debris in accordance with the applicable federal, state, and local requirements, and repair each spill bucket as necessary.
 - 4. Inventory conducted daily, reconciled monthly.
 - 5. Verify that Underground storage tank sumps have been inspected at least semi-annually and that sump sensors are set below the lowest sidewall penetration within each sump.
 - 6. Inspect each motor fuel dispenser hose for tears, leaks, holes, kinks, crimps or defects of any kind and replace as necessary.
 - 7. Inspect each motor fuel dispenser nozzle for leaks, obstruction of vapor recovery holes, or defects of any kind and replace as necessary.
 - 8. Inspect each motor fuel dispenser cabinet interior and dispenser sump for leaking components and the presence of motor fuel, water or debris, remove and dispose of any motor fuel, water or debris in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements, and repair each component as necessary.
 - 9. Verify that grade level fill covers are tight fitting and properly color-coded.
 - 10. Inspect each automatic tank gauge detector panel for proper operation of product monitoring and leak detection systems and repair or replace components as necessary.
 - 11. Deficiencies discovered during the monthly visual inspection shall be repaired or otherwise corrected within 30 days.
 - 12. The Class B operator shall ensure that the underground storage tank system that will store or dispense product is compatible with the product that will be stored or dispensed.
- (3) Delegation of the responsibilities of 527 CMR 9.07(Q) to designated Class A, B, or C operators shall not relieve the owner or operator from liability for non-compliance with the requirements of 527 CMR 9.07(Q).

9.08: Referenced Publications

Documents or portions thereof that are referenced within 527 CMR 9.00 shall be considered a part of the requirements of 527 CMR 9.00. Refer to 527 CMR 49.00 for a complete listing of all documents referenced in 527 CMR.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY

527 CMR 9.00: M.G.L. c. 22, § 14; c. 22D, § 4; c. 148, §§ 9, 10, 13, 28, 37, 38 and 38E.

FAMILIES and CISM: Developing a Comprehensive Program

Any given crisis can be contagious! Any person who is part of a family unit and who has been affected by a crisis, trauma, or disaster brings the crisis home to the members of the family. The crisis can spread to family members directly through abuse, abandonment, neglect, or indirectly through isolation, withdrawal and the like. Family support services should be part of any truly integrated CISM program. Its absence clearly weakens the potential CISM effectiveness. Critical incident stress management with families is a complex topic with specific issues that need to be addressed when working with families.

This course is vital for CISM teams, emergency service professionals, their spouses, significant others, families, organizational leaders, mental health professionals and clergy to establish and maintain an essential family component to CISM network systems. Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Define the CISM continuum for family support services
- Identify and demonstrate the specific criteria for a family response
- List the development protocol for support services to families
- Define the proactive versus reactive approach, to include agency protocols and LODD management
- Demonstrate the family debriefing intervention models.



Completion of “Families and CISM: Developing A Comprehensive Program” and receipt of a certificate indicating full attendance (14 Contact Hours) qualifies as a class in ICISF’s Certificate of Specialized Training Program.

COURSE #:	200-000-657 Session A
DATES:	September 30 & October 1, 2011 0830 – 1700 hours
LOCATION:	Littleton Police Department 500 Great Road, Littleton, MA

Please complete a standard DFS / MFA student application or register online at www.mass.gov/dfs.

Mail to: Registrar
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy
State Road, P.O. Box 1025, Stow, MA 01775
(978) 567-3200

Or Fax it to:
(978) 567-3229



Department of Fire Services / Massachusetts Firefighting Academy



Massachusetts Department of Fire Services

Invites All Safety Officers, Training Officers,
Chief Officers, Paramedics, EMTs and All Interested Fire and EMS
Personnel To Attend, Free of Charge:

Firefighter Rehabilitation and Medical Monitoring A Guide to NFPA 1584 (2008)

Presented by Masimo Corporation with the support of the
International Association of Fire Chiefs

Choose from one of the following six (6) sessions:

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday October 4 th	9:00am – 12:00pm	Department of Fire Services 1 State Road Stow, MA
	6:30pm – 9:30pm	
Wednesday October 5 th	9:00am – 12:00pm	The Williston Northampton School Auditorium 19 Payson Avenue Easthampton, MA
Wednesday October 5 th	6:30pm – 9:30pm	Greenfield Community College One College Drive Greenfield, MA
Thursday October 6 th	9:00am – 12:00pm	Bristol Community College, Room 209-210 777 Elsbree Street Fall River, MA
	6:30pm – 9:30pm	

This three-hour comprehensive program provides the knowledge to set up and administer firefighter rehabilitation according to the 2008 NFPA 1584 standards. Firefighter rehabilitation has been identified as a critical part of managing the health and safety of firefighters and reducing line-of-duty injuries and deaths.

The program includes your own copy of the IAFC Rehabilitation workbook and the program CD (PowerPoint presentation files and instructors guidebook) Also provided is a rehab implementation checklist, samples of the new Disaster Management Systems Rehabilitation staging poster and firefighter rehab tags. You will have everything you need to return to your department and develop your own NFPA 1584 compliant rehab program.

Don't delay registering, classes fill quickly.

For registration go to:

<http://masimo.custhelp.com/ci/documents/detail/2/MassDFS>

to sign up TODAY!

(Web address is case-sensitive)



Department of Fire Services
Fire Officer Training Programs



Tactical Operations Symposium

The Department of Fire Services is pleased to present this one-day symposium for the company officer. The major topic areas include:

- **Company Officer Use of Thermal Imaging in Structural Firefighting**
Robert Athanas: Owner and President of SAFE-IR; Firefighter, Rescue Company 3, FDNY
 - Material to be covered includes thermal imaging theory and technology, strategic and tactical considerations, and the NFPA 1801 TIC standard.
- **Fires in 2 ½ Story Wood Frames**
Kenneth Galligan: Retired Chief of the Brockton, MA Fire Department
 - Due to reduced staffing, many companies arrive at residential structure fires with only three personnel. This program is designed to show the company officer how to complete all the necessary fireground tasks in a safe and efficient manner.
- **Engine Company Functions and Limitations in Today's Fire Service**
Jack Boland: Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructor; Lieutenant, Worcester Fire Department
 - Overview of the techniques necessary for directing engine company operations at structural fires.

Programs will be delivered in three-hour sessions in the morning and afternoon. Each student will choose, in advance, two that they would like to attend. Every effort will be made to accommodate requests, but placement cannot be guaranteed. All courses will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Course: 200-039-714
Date & Time: October 22, 2011 from 0730-1600
Location: Easthampton High School
70 Williston Avenue, Easthampton, MA
Attire: Department Class B Uniform

Please complete a standard DFS/MFA student application, along with a course selection form.

Mail to: Registrar
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy
1 State Road, P. O. Box 1025, Stow, MA 01775

Fax to:
(978) 567-3229

**DEPARTMENT OF FIRE SERVICES
MASSACHUSETTS FIREFIGHTING ACADEMY
STUDENT APPLICATION**

MFA USE ONLY

Initials: _____

Email: _____

Date: _____

A COURSE INFORMATION

LIVE FIRE TRAINING MUST COMPLETE SECTIONS D & E | COURSES WITH FEES MUST COMPLETE SECTION F

COURSE TITLE: _____

COURSE #: - - - SESSION:

LOCATION: _____ START DATE: _____

B STUDENT INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY



FIELDS MUST BE COMPLETED IN ORDER TO BE PROCESSED

NAME: _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL RANK / TITLE

ID# (SOCIAL SECURITY, DRIVER'S LICENSE OR MFA ID #): _____
If you do not know your MFA ID# we need at least the last 4 digits of SS# or DL# in order to process application.

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
STREET (do not use fire dept. address) CITY STATE ZIP

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR CONFIRMATION: _____
Be sure to check your Spam folder for emails you might be expecting and not receiving.
If you do not receive an email within 48 hours please call registration to make sure your application was received.

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL #: _____

WORK PHONE #: _____ PAGER #: _____

FIRE DEPARTMENT OR ORGANIZATION: _____ STATE: _____

EMT # (If Appl.):

BY CHECKING THIS BOX I CERTIFY THAT I AM A DULY APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE ABOVE FIRE DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION AND THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

⌘ COURSE ENROLLMENT DETAILS

- ◆ **PRIORITY SELECTION:** ACCEPT OR NON ACCEPT LETTERS OR EMAILS SENT APPROX 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO DAY 1
- ◆ **ALL OTHER ACADEMY COURSES:** APPLICANTS WILL BE ENROLLED ON A FIRST COME/FIRST SERVE BASIS. ANY CORRESPONDANCE REGARDING MFA COURSES (CONFIRMATIONS, CANCELLATIONS, CHANGES, ETC) WILL BE SENT TO EMAIL ADDRESS SUPPLIED.

C REGISTRATION INFORMATION IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE NOTIFY REGISTRATION

Our **NO SHOW POLICY** may be found on our website at:
http://www.mass.gov/Eeops/docs/dfs/mfa/training/mfa_no_show_policy.pdf

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NAME: Last _____ First _____ MI _____

Massachusetts Department of Fire Services Officer Symposium Session Registration Form

August 26, 2011

The following sessions will be offered at the Fire Officer Symposium this year. Please select which two sessions that you would like to attend. Although every effort will be made to accommodate your requests, course placement cannot be guaranteed. All courses are on a first come - first serve basis. **Applicants will only receive notification if the entire program is full. Otherwise, you will be advised which two sessions that you will be attending the morning of the program during registration.**

Number	Code	Session Name
COS01	COTIC	Company Officer Use of Thermal Imaging in Structural Fires
COS02	FTSWF	Fires in 2 ½ Story Wood Frames
COS03	ECFLTDFS	Engine Company Functions and Limitations in Today's Fire Service

Sessions: 1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

Please return this form along with the standard MFA application by mail or fax before October 4, 2011.

Signature _____

TRICK OR TREATING

- Smaller children should always be with an adult. It's best to take little ones out early. If older children are going out without you, go over the ground rules first!
- Know what neighborhoods they will be in.
- Don't allow them in areas with which you are not completely comfortable.
- Have the children stay in a group.
- Let them know what time to be home.
- Give them a cell phone to use if necessary.
- Use sidewalks.
- Cross only at the corners, never dart out between parked cars.
- Cover one side of the street at a time, no criss-crossing.
- Never go inside someone's home unless it is a friend's.
- Never accept a ride in a car.
- Only approach houses where the outside lights are on as a signal of welcome.
- Bring their bags home to be checked by an adult before eating a single treat.



HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS



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COSTUMES

- Children should carry a flashlight and their costumes should be bright-colored or have reflective tape to highlight them.
- Be sure all parts of the costume are labeled flame retardant.
- Costumes should not have trailing material or tails long enough to cause falls.
- Pointed objects such as swords and devils' forks should be made of soft material.
- If your child wears a mask instead of make-up on their face, double check that the eye holes are large enough to see through clearly.

- Children should wear sturdy shoes and temperature appropriate clothing underneath their costumes.



FIREWORKS

- Firecrackers, cherry bombs, and party poppers cause many injuries and fires on Halloween.
- These are dangerous and should not be used by children, teens or adults. Besides the physical danger and the fire hazards involved, fireworks are illegal in Massachusetts.



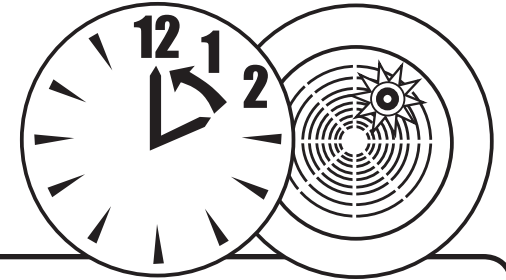
DECORATIONS

- Use a small flashlight or battery-operated candle in pumpkins instead of an open-flame candle.
- Keep dried leaves and cornstalks away from all flames and heat sources.
- Only use flame-proof crepe paper.



CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES

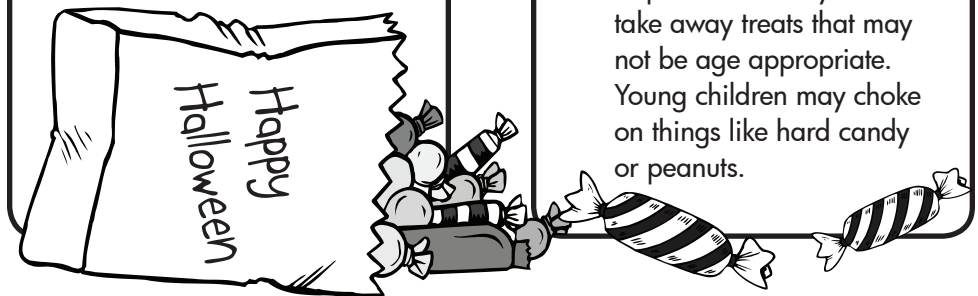
- Each year around Halloween, we turn the clocks back one hour. This is a good time to also change the batteries in your smoke detectors.
- This year, buy batteries along with your Halloween candy and on **Sunday, November 6**



**Change your clocks.
Change your batteries.**

CHECKING TREATS + WELCOMING TRICK OR TREATERS

- Make sure your own home is well-lit and that there is a clear path to your door. Bicycles and lawn furniture can trip youngsters in the dark.



- Throw out anything that appears tampered with, home-made foods or home-packaged foods unless you are certain of the source.
- Inspect fruit closely and take away treats that may not be age appropriate. Young children may choke on things like hard candy or peanuts.

Deputy State Fire Marshal

Program Manager IX

Agency Name:	Dept. of Fire Services
Official Title:	Program Manager IX
Functional Title:	Deputy State Fire Marshal
Occupational Group:	Not Used
Position Type:	Non-Civil Service
Full-Time or Part-Time:	Full-Time
Salary Range:	\$52,700.44 to \$125,244.66 Annually
Bargaining Unit:	M99
Shift:	Day
Confidential:	No
Number Of Vacancies:	1
City/Town:	Stow
Region:	CENTRAL
Facility Location:	P.O. Box 1025 - State Road, Stow, MA 01775
Application Deadline:	09-30-2011
Apply Online:	No
Posting ID:	J24284

This position is funded from the Commonwealth's annual operating budget.

Duties:

The position of Deputy State Fire Marshal is responsible for overall management and administration of operations for the divisions within the Department of Fire Services (DFS). These divisions include: the Administrative Services Division, the division of hazardous materials response (Hazardous Materials Response program), the division of fire training (Massachusetts Firefighting Academy), and the division of fire prevention (Office of the State Fire Marshal).

In the absence of the State Fire Marshal, the Deputy State Fire Marshal serves as Acting State Fire Marshal to carry out the statutory responsibilities and functions of the position.

The Deputy State Fire Marshal assist the State Fire Marshal with emergency responses to and operates at major fires, explosions, possible domestic and foreign terrorist events (i.e., anthrax and potential weapons of mass destruction), explosives devices scenes, hazardous materials incidents and natural disasters to provide support and statewide assistance to local Fire Chiefs and public safety officials, and determines public safety dangers and appropriate response on behalf of the State Fire Marshal and the Commonwealth. This response requires that the Deputy State Fire Marshal be available for emergency response twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week.

The Deputy State Fire Marshal advises the State Fire Marshal and participates in decision making regarding major policy issues for the agency, legal issues, code enforcement direction,

technical services and code compliance efforts, areas of proposed regulatory change, fire training services, fire prevention, fire data and public fire education matters, hazardous materials response capabilities, legislative appropriation requests, and all administrative activities.

With the changes which have occurred in the public safety environment post 9-11, this position is directly involved in the development of recommended policies and procedures, training initiatives, planning and prevention activities, and response for terrorism related attacks in the areas of chemical, biological, and nuclear events as well as matters of Homeland/Commonwealth Security and issues regarding terrorism, Weapons of Mass Destruction (i.e., chemical, biological, nuclear and so-called "dirty" bombs), explosives accountability, anthrax and smallpox

The Deputy State Fire Marshal represents the State Fire Marshal, in his absence, in all matters pertaining to the agency; represents the State Fire Marshal on the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations; and represents the State Fire Marshal, as needed, on the Fire Safety Commission, the Automatic Sprinkler Appeals Board, the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, the Hazardous Materials Policy Board and the Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Product Cleanup Fund Administrative Review Board.

The position of Deputy State Fire Marshal is officially appointed solely by the State Fire Marshal. The selected candidate for the position of Deputy State Fire Marshal for the Department of Fire Services will be considered as a strong candidate upon the retirement of the State Fire Marshal.

For the above stated reason the Massachusetts Fire Service Commission who is designated as the appointing committee for the position of State Fire Marshal will play active role in the selection of the Deputy State Fire Marshal position

Qualifications:

MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants must have at least (A) six years of full-time, or equivalent part-time, supervisory or managerial experience in business administration, business management, or public administration and (B) of which at least three years must have been in a managerial capacity.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: None.

Preferred Qualifications:

Minimum of ten years of full-time managerial experience of which at least five years should be preferably in a high level position within the fire service.

A bachelor degree in a related field of study a master's degree is preferred.

Knowledge of the principle of fire service training.

Ability to understand, explain and apply the laws, rules, regulations, policies, procedures, specifications, standards and guidelines as mandated by state government.

Ability to communicate diverse information orally and in writing to a wide variety of individuals in an efficient and concise manner. This includes the ability to assess problems, implement necessary action, impart information, and answer questions clearly and accurately.

How To Apply:

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