

City of Belleville Fire Department

Number: 3001

POLICY:

It is the policy of the Belleville Fire Department that procedures be followed and equipment utilized to limit exposure to diesel fumes in the Fire Station.

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GUIDELINE

1:00 Purpose:

1:01 To limit the exposure to diesel fumes in the Fire Stations.

2:00 Procedures:

2:01 Personnel are to read the operating manual for the Diesel Extraction system and familiarize themselves with all operational, reset and the timer features.

2:02 Personnel are to ensure the Control Box is switched “On” and the selector is in the “Auto” position.

2:03 Personnel are to ensure that the Diesel Extraction system snorkels are magnetically connected to and properly positioned over the exhaust outlet of the Fire Apparatus parked in the Fire Stations whenever possible.

2:04 The system is designed for Fume Extraction during vehicle movement into or out of the Station. For pump testing or if the vehicle engine is to be run for any period of time the vehicle shall be moved outside and the doors closed to limit fume entry.

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- 2:05 Upon returning to the Station the vehicle shall be backed up or advanced only to the point where the exhaust is near the door opening, the hook up should be done when inside the door. If the driver is alone he/she will be required to carry this out individually.
- 2:06 Should the extraction system be inoperable, move the apparatus out of the Fire Station as soon as possible after start-up. Open or close the appropriate doors to allow good ventilation and sufficient times for fumes to clear.
- 2:07 Ensure living quarters are isolated from the Apparatus floor by self –closing and sealed doorways and hatches.
- 3:00 **Scope:**
- 3:01 It shall be the responsibility of the Officer in charge of each shift to ensure that this guideline is explained and followed.
- 3:02 It shall be the responsibility of **all employees** to understand and adhere to this guideline.

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