

**Oregon OSHA FIREFIGHTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Location: DPSST Salem, Oregon

Date: April 2, 2014

Time: 1300 hour

Call to Order: 1305

Members:

David Jones, OFDDA	Ray Dirling, OFCA-OSHS
Craig Lowe, OFCA-OSHS	Burke Slater, OSFFC
Jason Jantzi, SDAO	David Phillips, Chair, OFCA OSHS
Julie Olsen-Fink, DPSST	Eriks Gabliks, DPSST
Tom Bozicevic, OR-OSHA	Corey Stengel, OR-OSHA

Other attendees:

Peg Munsell, OR-OSHA	Marilyn Schuster, OR-OSHA
Ron Haverkost, OR-OSHA	Rodney Dlouhy, OR-OSHA

Introductions were made

Agenda Items:

1. Overview of Meeting's Goal and Discussion on next steps in the process:  
The committee agreed to review the items listed on the agenda and come to a decision on each. Clarification on the process from this point on was provided by OR-OSHA Staff. The document will be edited and put into rule change format by OR-OSHA. Technical Specialist, Tom Bozicevic, will prepare a summary of changes and then the proposed rules change will be released for a public comment and public hearing period of 30-60 days. Once this rule change is complete, the committee will resume a normal quarterly meeting schedule and look to address items within the rule that need additional clarification and reviewing, updating, or assisting in the development of letters of interpretation.
2. NFPA Edition Number Discussion:  
Chair Phillips discussed the fact that the original intent of this rulemaking effort was to update NFPA standards referenced in the current rules for firefighters. However, the committee later determined that this approach can create issues for many fire departments who, at times, view national standards as organizational goals to strive to achieve due to the potential reoccurring costs associated with purchasing equipment to comply with new standards. As a result, the committee agreed to adopt a general strategy of raising NFPA standards to current editions when they primarily relate to operational procedures, and to accept older editions when related to equipment; although, older editions of NFPA standards can be difficult to obtain. An example cited is the 2007 NFPA standard for PPE that could affect the use of a helmet or other items that are less than ten years old, but is still within the manufacturer's recommended service life and still provides adequate protection for the user.

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(Decision points listed below are in red)

3. D1 – Scope- Engaged or who engage? **Who engage**
4. D2 – Consent to Note under scope: **Consent**
5. TB3/TB21- Body Armor Definition and rule (11) - Tom and Jason Jantzi: **Remove from rule for future group work after this round of the rulemaking process is complete. Its value was recognized and so it was decided to move it to a non-mandatory appendix and remove the “shall” language. It was noted that body armor is recognized as personal protective equipment (PPE) and the use of it is based on a PPE hazard assessment. It was noted that Police agencies that use body armor are not required by Div 2/I to be in compliance with the National Institute of Justice, NIF 0101.06 standard which was incorporated by reference in the draft document. This might be a Div 2/I issue and not a Div 2 (L) issue at this time. In the meantime it can serve as a helpful resource.**
6. D4 - Certified: Certified or Certify? **OR-OSHA to develop definitions for both terms as well as the term designee.**
7. D5 - Emergency Incident: the or an? **the**
8. TB6/D7- Fire Ground Definition: **Committee accepted**
9. D8 - IDLH, Laura Barlow Question: **Leave as it is written**
10. D9 - Protective Clothing definition editing: **accepted adding personal protective to equipment.**
11. TB10 /D11 - NFPA 1561, Which edition: **Leave until after this rule making. Committee will take it on later.**
12. D12/D13 - Wildland and Driver/pumper training question recap: **Leave as written.**
13. D14/15- NFPA 1403 2012: **Accept NFPA 2012**
14. TB16/D17- NFPA 1001 2013 or 2008 (keep 2008 or move to 2013?): **Committee agreed to move to 2013 since every department has been sent the curriculum for this standard and it is also by default required as part of NFPA 1403, 2012 edition.**
15. TB18/D19- NFPA 1971 2000,2007,or 2013 (10 year life discussion): **2000**
16. D22/D23- Goggle vs shield recap: **Chair Phillips recognized that this has been a long standing point of discussion and is difficult to clearly write a standard for. For the time being the committee decided to leave it as it is written and take it on after this rule change process concludes.**
17. D24 – 15-c-B oddly placed: **Tom will review.**
18. D25- ANZI Z87.1 (2003) still good? **Tom will verify.**
19. D26/D27- Occ. Noise note, does it need its own numbered section? Also, discussion of SDAO’s letter. **Discussion on a note versus an item in the rule. It is placed in the PPE section as a note referring to another area of Div. 2 that contains the related rules. SDAO has had clients who were told they were required have a hearing conservation program simply because they are a fire department. Staff in the meeting confirmed that this is not true. A hearing conservation program is only required whenever employee noise exposures equal or exceed an 8-hour Time Weighted Average (TWA) of 85 decibels measured on the A-scale (85dBA).**
20. D28/TB29 - Which NFPA 1852: **edition/date removed**
21. TB30/D31- Which NFPA 1982: **edition/date removed**
22. TB32/D33/D34 – Hazwoper and IMS discussion, extra space removed: **Tom will insert a reference to 1910.120 into the document.**

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23. D35- Diesel Exhaust issue OAR 437 Division 2/ 437-002-0382: The Division 2 standard contains existing permissible exposure limits for contaminants contained in exhaust from diesel and gasoline apparatuses. **Comments concerned about a future mandate to install apparatus exhaust systems are as a result of this rulemaking are invalid since the issue is currently covered in rule 0382 for all Div. 2 employers, and is outside of the scope or influence of the FAC in this venue. Also, there are other methods to control exhaust exposure levels that do not require mechanical ventilation (e.g., moving running vehicles outside, etc.).**
24. D36/D37/D38- Discussion on possible language for riding on an apparatus that is actively fighting fire. See note from Mark Prince: **Group will add suggested language “while traveling to and from emergence incidents.” Tom to look for language to describe the requirements for rider security on the fire ground, similar to scissor lift requirements.**
25. TB39/D40 - Discuss Aerial Devices language and approve: **Acknowledged that NFPA 1914 now lives within NFPA 1911.**
26. D41- Discus and approve Hose Drying Tower language: **Accepted**
27. D42/D43- Confirm Committee agreed with DPSST NFPA Fire Fighter Task Force Recommendation: **Appendix A note- accepted editing and reconfirmed alignment with DPSST.**
28. D44/D45 – Reference adjustment: **Agreed to keep the checklist and acknowledged the need to update the references.**
29. Possible to forward document to OR-OSHA: **Committee agreed to forward this work to OR-OSHA for rule change pending completion of above agreed upon items.**

Meeting Adjourned: 1535

Respectfully Submitted,

David Phillips, Chair  
OR-OSHA Firefighter Advisory Committee