

# SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 8

## Standard Operating Procedures

**40.02.03**  
**PORTABLE EQUIPMENT**  
**(INSPECTIONS AND**  
**CHECKS)**



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**Purpose:** To ensure equipment is inspected and maintained in a state of readiness.

**References:** WAC 296-305-06001-Fire Service Equipment. WAC 296-305-06003-Testing Fire Service Equipment. WAC 296-305-06006-Ground Ladders. NFPA 1932, "Standard on Use, Maintenance, and Service Testing of Fire Department Ground Ladders." NFPA 1962, "Standard of Care, Maintenance, and Use of Fire Hose Including Connections and Nozzles." NFPA 10, "Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers."

**Procedure:**

1. Portable Equipment.

- a) All equipment carried on fire apparatus or designated for training, shall be visually inspected at least weekly and within 24 hours after any use.
- b) Inventory records shall be maintained for the equipment carried on each vehicle.
- c) All equipment carried on fire apparatus or designated for training shall be tested at least annually in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and applicable laws and standards.
- d) Firefighting equipment found to be defective or in unserviceable condition shall be removed from service and repaired or replaced per District procedure.
- e) A maintenance request will be forwarded to the employee in charge of maintenance, per District procedure.
- f) All ground ladders shall be inspected and service tested as specified in WAC 296-305-06006, Ground Ladders, and NFPA 1932, "Standard on Use, Maintenance, and Service Testing of Fire Department Ground Ladders."
- g) All fire hose shall be inspected and service tested as specified in WAC 296-305-06003, Testing Fire Service Equipment, and NFPA 1962, "Standard of Care, Maintenance, and Use of Fire Hose Including Connections and Nozzles."
- h) All fire extinguishers shall be inspected and tested as specified in NFPA 10, "Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers."