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Turnout Gear

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1.0 Guidelines

1.1. The following specifications will be followed on all turn out clothing issued by the Taylors Bridge Fire Department. In addition, personnel purchasing individual turnout clothing or additional turnout clothing to be used with this department shall adhere to these standards. The chief must approve any deviations.

2.0 Turnout Coats

2.1. Turnout coats shall meet or exceed the minimum applicable standards of both NFPA and OSHA. Coats may be no less than 7.5 oz. Nomex. Inner liners must not be of a needle punch design. Vapor barriers may be Neoprene, Gore-tex, or other approved fabric. Coats shall be white for chief officers. Striping shall be 2" yellow/silver color and shall be of design known as "NFPA" type. Coats may be either a 35" mid-length when used with standard bunker pants, or a 28" jacket length when used with "bib-style" or high-waist bunkers. Coats shall have either a zipper/Velcro closure or snaps with hook and "D" fasteners. Officers shall have their designated rank in 2" yellow/silver colored reflective lettering as low as possible on the coattail. All coats shall have a "radio pocket" placed on the upper left side of the chest area.

3.0 Bunker Pants

3.1. Bunker pants shall meet or exceed the minimum applicable standards of both NFPA and OSHA. Pants may be no less than 7.5 oz. Nomex. Inner liners must not be of a needle punch design. Vapor barriers may be Neoprene, Gore-tex or other approved fabric. Pants shall be white for chief officers. Striping shall be 2" yellow/silver color and shall be of design known as "NFPA type". Pants may be either standard height pants when used with a 35" midlength coat, or "bib-style" or high waist bunkers when used with a 28" jacket length coat. Pants shall have either a zipper/Velcro closure or snaps with hook and "D" fasteners. All pants must have a minimum of two pockets.



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4.0 Helmets

4.1. Front leather shields shall conform to the following requirements:

4.1.1. Chief Officers

- White shield with red background and white letters.
- The top panel shall read "Taylors Bridge."
- The center area shall display in red sewn numbers the officer number.
- The middle panel shall read officer position.
- The bottom panel shall read Fire Rescue.

4.1.2. Captains and Lieutenants

- Black shield with red background and white letters.
- The top panel shall read "Taylors Bridge."
- The center area shall display in red sewn numbers the officer number.
- The middle panel shall read officer position.
- The bottom panel shall read Fire Rescue

4.1.3. Firefighters

- Black shield with white background and red letters.
- The top panel shall read "Taylors Bridge."
- The center area shall display in white sewn letters.
- The middle panel shall read Firefighter.
- The bottom panel shall read Fire Rescue.
- 4.2. Helmets shall meet or exceed the minimum applicable standards of NFPA and OSHA. Helmets shall be white for chief officers, red for captains and Lieutenants, yellow for Safety and black for non-officer personnel. Front leather shield shall be black and shall have "Taylors Bridge" on the top line and "Fire Dept." on the bottom line except for officers who shall have their rank on the bottom line. All officers shall have the station number in the center of the leather shield. All helmets must have two means of eye protection: borque shield/face shield and goggles/safety glasses.



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5.0 Boots, Hood and Gloves

5.1. Boots, hoods and gloves shall meet or exceed NFPA specifications for protective clothing. Hip-type three-quarter length boots are not acceptable for use on the fire ground. Hoods shall be of the extended length design.

6.0 Non-departmental Issued Equipment

6.1. All non-departmental issued equipment must be inspected and approved by the Chief Officers for compliance with applicable NFPA, OSHA standards and conformity to department policy. Fire personnel will use no item before this approval is given.

7.0 Equipment Alterations

7.1. Equipment issued by the Taylors Bridge Fire Department shall not be altered in any way unless prior approval is granted by the Chief Officers and Safety Officer. Remember, your issued equipment belongs to the fire department and the citizens that paid for it.