



## GENERAL RULES FOR DRIVER OPERATOR, DRIVER OPERATOR PUMPER AND DRIVER OPERATOR AERIAL PRACTICALS

(These instructions must be read to the candidate by the Proctor.)

- The candidate will be required to drive at a safe speed while on the test grounds.
- Any act committed by the candidate deemed unsafe by the proctor will constitute a failure of the test. The lead proctor will have sole discretion if a safety issue is challenged.
- The assistant proctor will be evaluating the candidate's performance from the outside of the apparatus. His/her duties will include: watching for safety violations, watching that apparatus stays within the boundaries of the course, and act as the lead proctor for all retest.
- The assistant proctor will also position himself/herself before and during any backing exercise. The proctor **will not** direct the driver into position. The proctor is there to insure that the apparatus does not come in contact with any objects. If the proctor has to stop the candidate in order to prevent him/her from coming in contact with any objects; it will be considered a safety violation and will constitute a failure of the test. The lead proctor will have sole discretion if a safety violation is challenged.
- The candidate will be required to use the apparatus mirrors for all vision to the sides or rear of the apparatus. **The candidate will not be allowed to extend his/her head out of the window in order to guide the apparatus.**
- Once the apparatus is in motion, it must remain in motion until a required stop or change of direction must be performed as per the JPR.
- The candidate will be allowed to slow the apparatus during the exercise but cannot bring the apparatus to a complete stop unless required by the JPR. Stopping the apparatus when not required by the JPR will be considered a failure of that JPR.
- The candidate will not be allowed to stop the apparatus in order to make an unauthorized direction change to reposition the apparatus unless otherwise noted in the JPR.
- Dry steering will not be allowed.

In order to familiarize the candidate with the driving course; he/she will walk the entire course with the lead proctor. The lead proctor will verbally explain the direction of travel through the course while giving verbal instructions for each JPR. The candidate will also be given verbal instructions during the actual driving portion of the test.