



Driving Operations - Fire Department Aerial Apparatus

Reference source: NFPA 1002, *Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications*, 4.3.1, 4.3.6, 4.3.7, 2014 Edition

Fire Apparatus Operator - Aerial

Skill Sheet - FAO: A - 02

The candidate, given a **Fire Department Aerial Apparatus** and a predetermined route on a public way or simulated route that incorporates the maneuvers and features as specified in the performance steps listed that the driver/operator is expected to encounter during normal and emergency operations, shall operate a fire department vehicle so that the vehicle is operated in compliance with all applicable state and local laws and departmental rules and regulations.

Expected time to complete skill(s) is 25 minutes

Performance Steps	Test		Retest	
	P	F	P	F
Safely performs the following steps:				
1. Check and adjust driver's seat as needed				
2. Check and adjust vehicle mirrors as needed				
3. Fasten passenger restraint before putting vehicle in motion – CRITICAL POINT				
4. Maneuvers four left turns properly				
5. Maneuvers four right turns properly				
6. Maneuvers urban business street or urban two lane road properly, 1 mile in length				
7. Maneuvers through three intersections, two that require a complete stop				
8. Maneuvers at least one curve properly (left or right)				
9. Maneuvers railroad crossings properly - CRITICAL POINT				
10. Maneuvers entrance and exit to limited access highway properly				
11. Maneuvers two lane changes on limited access highway properly				
12. Maneuvers downgrades steep enough to require downshift/braking properly				
13. Maneuvers upgrades steep enough to require gear changing to maintain speed				
14. Maneuvers through low clearance/bridge properly				
15. Maneuvers on an environmentally affected road surface				
16. Operates vehicle safely and in accordance with applicable laws by maintaining safe following distances, maintaining control of vehicle, and travelling at safe speeds given road/weather/traffic conditions - CRITICAL POINT				
17. Maintains awareness of vehicle gauges and instruments				
18. Deploys, energizes and monitors the system and equipment (equipment and systems include, but are not limited to, electric generation equipment, floodlighting systems, air compressors, air cascade systems, hydraulic rescue tool systems, power reels for air or hydraulic hose)				
19. Recognizes and corrects system problems				
Candidate must successfully perform 14/19 including ALL CRITICAL POINTS	Score: /19		Score: /19	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Evaluator Notes</p>		
Evaluator Print Name & Signature:	Date	Overall Skill Sheet Score
		Pass _____ Fail _____
<i>By my signature above, I verify that I am currently certified to the level I am testing (VDFP/PB)</i>		
Re-Test Evaluator Print Name & Signature:		Overall Skill Sheet Re-Test Score
		Pass _____ Fail _____
<i>By my signature above, I verify that I am currently certified to the level I am testing (VDFP/PB)</i>		
Candidate Print Name & Signature:	Candidate: Print Name or Candidate #	
<p>Note to Evaluator(s): By your signature above, you verify that you are qualified to serve as a Virginia Department of Fire Programs Evaluator, have followed VDFP Skills Testing Policies and have witnessed that the above candidate has tested the above skills in their entirety.</p>		
<p>Note to Student: Skill will end when you state or indicate to the evaluator that you have completed all the identified steps. Notify the evaluator at ANY time that you have a safety concern.</p>		