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This edition of NFPA 1071, *Standard for Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualifications*, was prepared by the Technical Committee on Emergency Vehicle Technicians Professional Qualifications and released by the Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications. It was issued by the Standards Council on April 10, 2019, with an effective date of April 30, 2019, and supersedes all previous editions.

This edition of NFPA 1071 was approved as an American National Standard on April 30, 2019.

Origin and Development of NFPA 1071

In July 1995, the Standards Council, after receipt of a request from the Maintenance Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs for the development of a standard for the professional qualifications of emergency vehicle technician, approved the establishment of a Technical Committee on Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualifications under the Professional Qualifications project. The committee developed the first edition of NFPA 1071, *Standard for Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualifications*, which established the minimum job performance requirements for a person qualified as an emergency vehicle technician who is engaged in the inspection, diagnosis, maintenance, repair, and testing of an emergency response vehicle.

In the 2006 edition of the document, the committee added a new chapter for emergency vehicle technician III. The committee also revised the document to comply with the new requirements of the *Manual of Style for NFPA Technical Committee Documents*.

The 2011 edition added a skills maintenance requirement for each level of emergency vehicle technician (EVT). The committee updated the EVT requirements to address technological enhancements for new apparatus. The technical committee defined the three levels of EVT. Generally speaking, the EVT I is responsible for operational checks, the EVT II is responsible for performance checks, and the EVT III is responsible for supervision and managerial skills. The skills and knowledge requirements for each level of EVT were updated and brought in line with NFPA 1901, *Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus*.

The technical committee revised several areas of the document for the 2016 edition. A number of *Manual of Style* and formatting changes were made to several job performance requirements (JPRs). Annex C, Qualifications and Certification, was updated to reflect changes to programs such as the following: Automotive Service Excellence (ASE); Emergency Vehicle Technicians (EVT) Certification Commission; and various Canadian provincial journeyman license and registered apprentice programs. In addition, the technical committee completed a job task analysis for emergency vehicle technicians.

The Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications has been working to standardize all NFPA professional qualifications documents. Chapter 1, Administration, and Annex B, Explanation of the Professional Qualifications Standards and Concepts of JPRs, will be consistent for all professional qualifications documents.

For the 2020 edition, the committee reviewed all JPRs for accuracy and relevance. The requirements of NFPA 1911 are now incorporated in the professional qualifications for each position as required. Annex D has been added to include the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation's "16 Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives."

The committee did not receive any comments on first draft revisions; as a result, NFPA 1071 received early consent from the Standards Council. This does not change the edition year for the document, but it does allow the document to be released earlier to the public.

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