

Standard for Fire Apparatus Refurbishing

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This edition of NFPA 1912, *Standard for Fire Apparatus Refurbishing*, was prepared by the Technical Committee on Fire Department Apparatus. It was issued by the Standards Council on November 14, 2015, with an effective date of December 4, 2015, and supersedes all previous editions.

This edition of NFPA 1912 was approved as an American National Standard on December 4, 2015.

Origin and Development of NFPA 1912

The first edition of NFPA 1912, *Standard for Fire Apparatus Refurbishing*, in 2001, was developed when a need was identified for a document to help both fire service administrators and refurbishing contractors in all phases of the refurbishing process. The first edition specified the requirements for two levels of refurbishing. Level I results in the assembly of a new fire apparatus by the use of a new chassis frame; driving and crew compartments; front axle, steering and suspension components; and, for the remainder of the apparatus, the use of either new components or components from an existing apparatus. Level II results in the upgrade of major components or systems of a fire apparatus with components or systems that comply with or exceed the applicable standards in effect at the time the original apparatus was manufactured.

The 2006 edition was reorganized to conform with the Manual of Style for NFPA Technical Committee Documents. It was updated to reflect changes that had been incorporated in NFPA 1901, Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus. It was also revised to recognize that refurbishing of wildland fire apparatus must be based on NFPA 1906, Standard for Wildland Fire Apparatus, not NFPA 1901.

The extensive appendix material in the 2001 edition that was designed to assist users with the preparation of specifications for refurbishing a fire apparatus was further enhanced with the addition of the annex materials from NFPA 1901, *Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus*, that provide the weights and dimensions of common equipment carried on fire apparatus, and the annex material on guidelines for first-line and reserve fire apparatus.

The 2011 edition of NFPA 1912 was reviewed by the Technical Committee on Fire Department Apparatus, which updated references and added Annex A material to the section on stability control to reflect the new requirements in NFPA 1901, *Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus*.

For the 2016 edition, the majority of the changes focus on making the document current with the references and extracted materials and ensuring consistency with NFPA 1901 and NFPA 1906. The committee also has updated the safety sign requirements and has included as part of the requirements the Fire Apparatus Manufacturers' Association (FAMA) *Fire Apparatus Safety Guide* and the FAMA safety symbols.

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