

6.2 STATION POLICY - APPARATUS ROOM

- 6.2.1 To minimize exposure to diesel exhaust fumes, apparatus shall not be idled in station except during start up and shut down.
- 6.2.2 Due to the slippery conditions caused by wet floors, members should use discretion when using water in the apparatus rooms. When possible, tank refills and truck washing should be done outside. When this is not possible due to weather or other reasons, excess water should be removed from the apparatus room floor via squeegees as soon as possible.
- 6.2.3 Only necessary equipment will be stored in the apparatus room. Equipment shall not be stored in such a manner to obstruct access to PPE racks or apparatus, or in a location which will pose a hazard to members entering the station in response to a call for service.
- 6.2.4 To facilitate cleaning of apparatus room floors, and to eliminate a tripping hazard, all protective clothing shall be stored on assigned racks. Members bringing their PPE from the opposite station shall hang the gear on unassigned racks. If no racks are available, the PPE shall be neatly placed in an area that will not obstruct the movement of other firefighters.
- 6.2.5 Members responding to call should keep shoes, jackets, etc. out of traffic areas so as not obstruct the movement of other firefighters.
- 6.2.6 Apparatus room lights shall be turned on when preparing to respond to an incident and before backing the apparatus into the stations. Apparatus room lights may be left off when responding to calls during the hours of darkness to preserve the night vision of drivers.
- 6.2.7 Apparatus air and electric shore lines shall be connected at all times the apparatus is in station.
- 6.2.8 Apparatus compartment doors should be closed and secured at all times. If it is necessary to leave doors open (drying, etc...) a note should be posted on the apparatus steering wheel.
- 6.2.9 Only Fire District owned vehicles shall be parked in the apparatus room. Personal vehicles are prohibited.

6.2.10 Only authorized fire department vehicles will be parked on the station aprons, and shall not block a bay occupied by an in-service fire apparatus. The only exception shall be when a similar apparatus is parked in front of the occupied bay (i.e. E842 parked in front of E841 on a meeting or drill night).

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