Wishing you a Fire Safe Holiday Season!

What a year we have all experienced as 2020: a year filled with fire and life safety challenges, resiliency and continuing vision to reach solutions that will minimize future loss from disasters. And through it all You, our committed stakeholders and volunteers, persevered. With your continuing focus on safety and sustained commitment, we continued to make the world safer for all: through standards, education and knowledge. We at NFPA, are sincerely grateful for your efforts, all that you do, and all that you share with NFPA. It’s a big world. Let’s Protect It Together™.

New Project on Mobile Food Establishments/Mobile Cooking Operations

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is considering the development of ANSI Accredited Standards in support of the mobile food establishment community, as well as the life safety inspection communities. Standards development will include requirements to provide minimum fire and life safety provisions for mobile food establishments including design, installation, operation, inspection and maintenance of the cooking equipment, systems and mobile unit.

NFPA is seeking comments from all interested organizations and individuals to gauge whether support exists for standards development for mobile food establishments/mobile cooking operations. Specifically, please submit your comments to the following:

1. Are you, or your organization, in favor of the development of an NFPA Standard pertaining to minimum fire and life safety provisions for mobile food establishments?
2. Please state your reason(s) for supporting or opposing such standards development.
3. Are you or your organization interested in applying for membership on the Technical Committee if the Standards Council initiates development activities on the proposed project? If yes, please submit an application, in addition to your comments in support of the project, online at: Submit online application

*Note: Applications being accepted for purposes of documenting applicant interest in committee participation. Acceptance of applications by NFPA does not guaranty or imply the Standards Council will ultimately approve standards development activity on this subject matter.

Please submit all comments to Standards Administration, in support or opposition for standards development on mobile food establishments, by February 24, 2021: stds_admin@nfpa.org.

The NFPA News is a compilation of NFPA’s standards information and activities. We attempt to cover all important details during the standards development process so that the public is aware of what is available and what is needed. We want to make the NFPA News an even more valuable tool for you. Please forward your ideas to stds_admin@nfpa.org or contact Standards Administration at 617-984-7246.
Call for Nominations for 2021 Standards Council Service Awards

The Standards Council has established a program to recognize committee members for outstanding service to NFPA in the development of codes and standards. The Council’s Task Group on Award Selection is now accepting nominations for the following awards:

Standards Medal (presented during the General Session of the NFPA Conference & Expo)

The highest award given by the Standards Council, the Standards Medal is given for outstanding contribution to fire safety in the development of standards prepared by NFPA technical committees.

When submitting nominations, please consider the following criteria:

- Dedication – sincerity to a project
- Length of service
- Leadership of a project or a technical committee
- Volunteerism beyond normal duties of committee membership
- Respect and admiration of associates and peers
- Achievement of an outstanding nature

Committee Service Award (presented during the Tech Session of the NFPA Conference & Expo)

This award is given for continuous voluntary service as a technical committee member for a substantial period of time in recognition and appreciation of distinguished service to NFPA in the development of NFPA codes and standards.

Special Achievement Award (presented during the Tech Session of the NFPA Conference & Expo)

This award is presented to recognize the significant contribution of a committee member to a single project that has enhanced the NFPA codes- and standards-making process.

Nomination forms for these awards may be obtained by using the following link on the NFPA Website www.nfpa.org/About-NFPA/Awards/Committee-awards; or contact Codes and Standards Administration by email at stds_admin@nfpa.org; or by mail at NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169-7471. Please submit your nominations by January 15, 2021.

Proposed Tentative Interim Amendments Seeking Comments

The following proposed tentative interim amendments (TIAs) are being published for public review and comment. Anyone may submit a comment on these proposed TIAs by the listed closing dates. Along with your comment, please include the number of the TIA and forward to the Secretary of the Standards Council.

TIAs are amendments to an NFPA standard that are processed in accordance with Section 5 of the Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards. If issued, TIAs become effective between editions of a standard. An issued TIA automatically becomes a Public Input for the next edition of the standard, and proceeds through the NFPA standards development process.

NFPA 72®-2019 and Proposed 2022 Editions
National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code®
TIA Log No.: 1548
Reference: A.14.3.2(new) and A.14.4.4.1(new)
Comment Closing Date: January 25, 2021
Submitter: Art Black, Carmel Fire Protection Associates
Available for review and comment submission at www.nfpa.org/72

NFPA 72®-2019 and Proposed 2022 Editions
National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code®
TIA Log No.: 1549
Reference: 26.2.10(new)
Comment Closing Date: January 25, 2021
Submitter: Art Black, Carmel Fire Protection Associates
Available for review and comment submission at www.nfpa.org/72

NFPA 92-2021 Edition
Standard for Smoke Control Systems
TIA Log No.: 1547
Reference: A.5.11 Example 4
Comment Closing Date: January 18, 2021
Submitter: Paul Turnbull, Siemens Industry, Inc.
Available for review and comment submission at www.nfpa.org/92

NFPA 499-2021 Edition
Recommended Practice for the Classification of Combustible Dusts and of Hazardous (Classified) Locations for Electrical Installations in Chemical Process Areas
TIA Log No.: 1546
Reference: Various paragraphs
Comment Closing Date: February 1, 2021
Submitter: David Wechsler, Consultant
Available for review and comment submission at www.nfpa.org/499

NFPA 1403-2018 Edition
Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions
TIA Log No.: 1552
Reference: Section 4.13.2
Comment Closing Date: February 1, 2021
Submitter: Ryan McGill, IAFF Local 2068 Fairfax County Professional Firefighters and Paramedics
Available for review and comment submission at www.nfpa.org/1403

Committee Calendar

Detailed meeting information is located on each Document Information Page under the Next Edition tab. If you are planning to attend a Technical Committee meeting as a guest, please familiarize yourself with the Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards (Section 3.3.3.3) for further information.

For specific meeting information, please contact the responsible staff liaison listed on NFPA’s Document Information Page and refer to the Technical Committee tab.

Interested in getting more involved? NFPA Technical Committee meetings are open to the public.

As NFPA continues to ensure the safety of our volunteers and participants during the COVID 19 pandemic, all meetings are currently being held via Web meeting.
**December 2020**

16-17  Tactical and Technical Operations Respiratory Protection Equipment (1986 First Draft)
17  Public Fire Educator, Public Information Officer, Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist, and Youth Firesetter Program Manager Professional Qualifications (1030 First Draft)

**January 2021**

5-6  Fire Marshal Professional Qualifications (1030 First Draft)
8  Ambulances (1900 First Draft)
11  Emergency Vehicle Technicians Professional Qualifications (1910 First Draft)
11-14  Ambulances (1900 First Draft)
12-13  Traffic Control Incident Management Professional Qualifications (1091 First Draft)
22  Static Electricity (77 Pre-First Draft)
25-29  Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (414, 440, 460, 1900 First Draft)

**February 2021**

1-5  Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (414, 440, 460, 1900 First Draft)
3  Remote Inspections (915 Pre-First Draft)
10  Marine Fire Fighting Vessels (1910 First Draft)
16-19  Fire Department Apparatus (1900 First Draft)
22-26  Fire Department Apparatus (1900 First Draft)
23-26  Airport Facilities (409, 415, 423 Second Draft)

**NEC® First Draft Meeting Schedule**

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**Committees Seeking Members**

NFPA is currently accepting online applications for Committee membership. Deadline for applications to be reviewed at the August 2021 Standards Council meeting is April 16, 2021.

To apply for NFPA Committee membership, visit the Document Information Page for the relevant NFPA standard(s) for which the Committee is responsible.

Then choose the “Technical Committee” tab and select the link “Apply to Committee.” Sign-in or create a free online account with NFPA before using this application system.

The Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards require that no more than one-third of the voting members shall represent any one interest. On some occasions, a Technical Committee or Correlating Committee may be temporarily out of balance, due to a member resignation, change of status, pending recruitment efforts, or other circumstance, resulting in representation of an interest exceeding one-third of the total Voting Members. In such circumstances, the Standards Council requests that recruitment efforts be made to restore the Technical Committee or Correlating Committee to a normal balance of interests.

**Standards Seeking Public Input**

For a complete listing of NFPA standards accepting Public Input, please go to [www.nfpa.org/publicinput](http://www.nfpa.org/publicinput). Public Input received by 5:00 p.m. ET on the closing date will be acted upon by the responsible committee(s), and the action(s) will be published in the standard’s First Draft Report. Submit Public Input electronically via the NFPA electronic submission system. For instructions on how to use the electronic submission system, please go to [www.nfpa.org/publicinput](http://www.nfpa.org/publicinput).

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