

New Durham Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG)

SOG 401 Driving Requirements

PURPOSE: To ensure the conformance to the safe operation of all fire & rescue department vehicles.

SCOPE: Driver/operators of all Department vehicles

SPECIFICS:

- The minimum driving age for the Ambulance, Utility, Command or Forestry shall be 18
- The minimum driving age for all other apparatus shall be 21
- It is the responsibility of the driver of each New Durham Fire Department vehicle to drive safely and prudently at all times. Vehicles shall be operated in compliance with all New Hampshire RSA's
- It is recommended that drivers of any apparatus complete the NH Fire Academy All Vehicle Driver/Operator or similar Emergency Vehicles Operators Course (EVOC) class
- A copy of the members driving record will be provided and be a part of the members file.
- A clean driving record must be maintained
- The driver should not use a phone or text when driving any apparatus
- All accidents with any apparatus shall be reported as soon as it is practical to do so to a chief officer, but never to exceed 24 hours
- Any mechanical, electrical or other issues with any apparatus should be reported to the officer of the vehicle as soon as it is practical to do so, but never to exceed 24 hours

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