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I. SCOPE

- A. This standard applies to all Queen Anne's County Fire Department's.

II. PURPOSE

- A. To establish standards for a Fire Boat.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. All Queen Anne's County Fire Department's will be responsible for ensuring strict adherence to this standard.

IV. STANDARD

- A. Fire Boats must be registered with DNR and have all current stickers needed. Fire Boats must be equipped with items listed below without being overloaded. The fire boat shall not exceed manufacturer's weight limits. Fire Boats must be registered as an emergency fire boat and have all warning devices and lights needed.


- B. To be numbered with Fire Boat and 1-digit number.

1. Example; Fire Boat 1.


(Note: If the fire pump is out of service then the Fire Boat will be designated has Boat 1.)

- C. Minimum required equipment to be carried.

1. 100ft ½" tow line.
2. One anchor.
3. One axe.
4. One 8' hook (ceiling or boat hook.)
5. 150' of 1.5" hose (minimum.)

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6. 100' of 2.5" hose.
7. Two 2.5" spanner wrenches.
8. Two combination fog/straight stream nozzles (95 gpm minimum.)
9. Two buoys.
10. Two buoys weights.
11. 100' of 1/4" buoy line (total.)
12. Four boat bumpers (not required on rubber boats.)
13. One Coast Guard Approved personal flotation device for each crew member.
14. Two child's personal flotation device (USCG APPROVED.)
15. Two 2.5 lb abc fire extinguishers.
16. One bucket.
17. One bilge pump (manual/automatic.)
18. One mop or boat brush.
19. Three signal flares.
20. One Waterway Navigation Chart Book.
21. One hand light.
22. One electric siren.
23. One spot light (300,000.)
24. Two 12 volt flood/scene lights.
25. All Coast Guard/DNR required running lights.
26. One 50' watt (min.) 2 channel radio (QAC Fire Frequency.)
27. One VHF radio.
28. One beacon Ray (RED & AMBER) or equivalent bar light.
29. One compass.
30. One depth finder.
31. One pair of binoculars.
32. One life ring with 100' line.
33. One 300 gpm Deck Gun with straight tips and combination fog nozzle.
34. Fire Boats equipped with 300 gpm self-contained fire pump with thru-hull intake connection. Unit equipped with back up battery starting system (after Jan. 1, 2001) to have 500 gpm fire pump.)
35. Tool box with assorted tools.
36. Waterway map books for all jurisdictions in which you respond.
37. One Emergency Response Guidebook to Hazardous Materials for First Responders.

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D. The following items can be carried on the boat or the vehicle which responds with the boat, must be carried on the boat on the appropriate types of water related responses.

1. One Miller Board of Floating Stokes Basket.
2. One oxygen cylinder with liter flow.
3. One first aid kit.
4. One ALS bag (optional.)

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