



Safety Bulletin

Safety Reminder for Driver Pump Operators

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The Health and Safety Committee is committed to promoting safety during training events and on the fireground. This safety bulletin is a reminder of the importance of wearing a helmet and utility gloves while conducting pump operating procedures.

The use of this essential safety equipment helps prevent injuries, including slips and falls during inclement weather, as well as injuries resulting from hose ruptures or couplings.

Research conducted by NFPA Fire Analysis and Research (Patterns of Fireground Injuries) between 2003 and 2006 revealed that fireground head injuries totaled 5,680 patients, constituting 14% of all injuries during that period. Hand injuries amounted to 8,115 patients, comprising 29% of all injuries during the same timeframe.

Let us collectively prioritize the safety of all fireground members, not only for our interior crews but also the pump operator and all team members on the incident.

Question regarding this bulletin should be directed to Battalion Chief RJ Arft.