

NFPA 1977	Standard on Protective Clothing and Equipment for Wildland Fire Fighting	C
NFPA 2010	Standard for Fixed Aerosol Fire-Extinguishing Systems	P

* P = Partial revision; W = Withdrawal; R = Reconfirmation; N = New; C = Complete Revision.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA): Proposes To Revise Codes and Standards

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) proposes to revise some of its safety codes and standards and requests proposals from the public to amend existing or begin the process of developing new NFPA safety codes and standards. The purpose of this request is to increase public participation in the system used by NFPA to develop its codes and standards. The publication of this notice of request for proposals by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on behalf of NFPA is being undertaken as a public service; NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend any of the standards referenced in the notice.

The NFPA process provides ample opportunity for public participation in the development of its codes and standards. All NFPA codes and standards are revised and updated every three to five years in Revision Cycles that begin twice each year and that takes approximately two years to complete. Each Revision Cycle proceeds according to a published schedule that includes final dates for all major events in the process. The process contains five basic steps that are followed both for developing new documents as well as revising existing documents. These steps are: Calling for Proposals; Publishing the Proposals in the Report on Proposals; Calling for Comments on the Committee's disposition of the proposals and these Comments are published in the Report on Comments; having a Technical Report Session at the NFPA Annual Meeting; and finally, the Standards Council Consideration and Issuance of documents.

Note: Under new rules effective Fall 2005, anyone wishing to make Amending Motions on the Technical Committee Reports (ROP and ROC) must signal their intention by submitting a Notice of Intent to Make a Motion by the Deadline stated in the ROC. Certified motions will then be posted on the NFPA Web site. Documents that receive notice of proper Amending Motions (Certified Amending Motions) will be presented for action at the annual June Association Technical Meeting. Documents that receive no motions will be forwarded directly to the Standards Council for action on issuance.

For more information on these new rules and for up-to-date information on schedules and deadlines for processing NFPA Documents, check the NFPA Web site at <http://www.nfpa.org> or contact NFPA Codes and Standards Administration.

DATES: Interested persons may submit proposals on or before the dates listed with the standards.

ADDRESSES: Christian Dubay, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-7471.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christian Dubay, Secretary, Standards Council, at above address, (617) 770-3000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) develops building, fire, and electrical safety codes and standards. Federal agencies frequently use these codes and standards as the basis for developing Federal regulations concerning safety. Often, the Office of the Federal Register approves the incorporation by reference of these standards under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR Part 51.

When a Technical Committee begins the development of a new or revised NFPA code or standard, it enters one of two Revision Cycles available each year. The Revision Cycle begins with the Call for Proposals, that is, a public notice asking for any interested persons to submit specific written proposals for developing or revising the Document. The Call for Proposals is published in a variety of publications. Interested parties have approximately twenty weeks to respond to the Call for Proposals.

Following the Call for Proposals period, the Technical Committee holds a meeting to consider and accept, reject

or revise, in whole or in part, all the submitted Proposals. The committee may also develop its own Proposals. A document known as the Report on Proposals, or ROP, is prepared containing all the Public Proposals, the Technical Committee's action and each Proposal, as well as all Committee-generated Proposals. The ROP is then submitted for the approval of the Technical Committee by a formal written ballot. If the ROP does not receive approval by a two-thirds vote calculated in accordance with NFPA rules, the Report is returned to the committee for further consideration and is not published. If the necessary approval is received, the ROP is published in a compilation of Reports on Proposals issued by NFPA twice yearly for public review and comment, and the process continues to the next step.

The Reports on Proposals are sent automatically free of charge to all who submitted proposals and each respective committee member, as well as anyone else who requests a copy. All ROPs are also available for free downloading at <http://www.nfpa.org>.

Once the ROP becomes available, there is a 60-day comment period during which anyone may submit a Public Comment on the proposed changes in the ROP. The committee then reconvenes at the end of the comment period and acts on all Comments.

As before, a two-thirds approval vote by written ballot of the eligible members of the committee is required for approval of actions on the Comments. All of this information is compiled into a second Report, called the Report on Comments (ROC), which, like the ROP, is published and made available for public review for a seven-week period.

The process of public input and review does not end with the publication of the ROP and ROC. Following the completion of the Proposal and Comment periods, there is yet a further opportunity for debate and discussion through the Technical Report Sessions that take place at the NFPA Annual Meeting.

The Technical Report Session provides an opportunity for the final Technical Committee Report (i.e., the ROP and ROC) on each proposed new or revised code or standard to be presented to the NFPA membership for the debate and consideration of motions to amend the Report. Before making an

allowable motion at a Technical Report Session, the intended maker of the motion must file, in advance of the session, a Notice of Intent to Make a Motion. A Motions Committee appointed by the Standards Council then reviews all notices and certifies all amending motions that are proper. Only these Certified Amending Motions, together with certain allowable Follow-Up Motions (that is, motions that have become necessary as a result of previous successful amending motions) will be allowed at the Technical Report Session.

For more information on dates/locations of NFPA Technical Committee meetings and NFPA Annual Technical Report Sessions, check the NFPA Web site at: <http://www.nfpa.org/itemDetail.asp?categoryID=822&itemID=22818>.

The specific rules for the types of motions that can be made and who can make them are set forth in NFPA's Regulation Governing Committee Projects which should always be consulted by those wishing to bring an issue before the membership at a Technical Report Session.

Interested persons may submit proposals, supported by written data,

views, or arguments to Christian Dubay, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-7471. Proposals should be submitted on forms available from the NFPA Codes and Standards Administration Office or on NFPA's Web site at <http://www.nfpa.org>.

Each person must include his or her name and address, identify the document and give reasons for the proposal. Proposals received before or by 5 p.m. local time on the closing date indicated would be acted on by the Committee. The NFPA will consider any proposal that it receives on or before the date listed with the codes or standard.

Document—Edition	Document title	Proposal closing date
NFPA 2—P*	Hydrogen Technologies Code	1/2/2009
NFPA 12—2008	Standard on Carbon Dioxide Extinguishing Systems	5/29/2009
NFPA 17—2009	Standard for Dry Chemical Extinguishing Systems	5/23/2011
NFPA 17A—2009	Standard for Wet Chemical Extinguishing Systems	5/23/2011
NFPA 18A—2007	Standard on Water Additives for Fire Control and Vapor Mitigation	12/1/2008
NFPA 25—2008	Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems	12/1/2008
NFPA 30—2008	Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code	12/1/2008
NFPA 30B—2007	Code for the Manufacture and Storage of Aerosol Products	12/1/2008
NFPA 40—2007	Standard for the Storage and Handling of Cellulose Nitrate Film	12/1/2008
NFPA 58—2008	Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code	12/1/2008
NFPA 59—2008	Utility LP-Gas Plant Code	11/24/2009
NFPA 70—2008	National Electrical Code®	11/7/2008
NFPA 73—2006	Electrical Inspection Code for Existing Dwellings	12/1/2008
NFPA 85—2007	Boiler and Combustion Systems Hazards Code	5/8/2009
NFPA 86—2007	Standard for Ovens and Furnaces	12/1/2008
NFPA 87—P*	Recommended Practice for Fluid Heaters	1/2/2009
NFPA 88A—2007	Standard for Parking Structures	12/1/2008
NFPA 96—2008	Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations	12/1/2008
NFPA 160—2006	Standard for the Use of Flame Effects Before an Audience	12/1/2008
NFPA 251—2006	Standard Methods of Tests of Fire Resistance of Building Construction and Materials	5/29/2009
NFPA 253—2006	Standard Method of Test for Critical Radiant Flux of Floor Covering Systems Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source.	5/29/2009
NFPA 262—2007	Standard Method of Test for Flame Travel and Smoke of Wires and Cables for Use in Air-Handling Spaces.	5/29/2009
NFPA 265—2007	Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Evaluating Room Fire Growth Contribution of Textile Coverings on Full Height Panels and Walls.	5/29/2009
NFPA 285—2006	Standard Fire Test Method for Evaluation of Fire Propagation Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load-Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components.	5/29/2009
NFPA 286—2006	Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Evaluating Contribution of Wall and Ceiling Interior Finish to Room Fire Growth.	5/29/2009
NFPA 303—2006	Fire Protection Standard for Marinas and Boatyards	12/1/2008
NFPA 307—2006	Standard for the Construction and Fire Protection of Marine Terminals, Piers, and Wharves	12/1/2008
NFPA 312—2006	Standard for Fire Protection of Vessels During Construction, Conversion, Repair, and Lay-Up	12/1/2008
NFPA 385—2007	Standard for Tank Vehicles for Flammable and Combustible Liquids	5/28/2010
NFPA 502—2008	Standard for Road Tunnels, Bridges, and Other Limited Access Highways	12/1/2008
NFPA 556—P*	Guide on Methods for Evaluating Fire Hazard to Occupants of Passenger Road Vehicles	12/1/2008
NFPA 654—2006	Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids.	12/1/2008
NFPA 780—2008	Standard for the Installation of Lightning Protection Systems	12/1/2008
NFPA 1000—2006	Standard for Fire Service Professional Qualifications Accreditation and Certification Systems	12/1/2008
NFPA 1071—2006	Standard for Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualifications	11/1/2008
NFPA 1124—2006	Code for the Manufacture, Transportation, Storage, and Retail Sales of Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles.	12/1/2008
NFPA 1126—2006	Standard for the Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience	12/1/2008
NFPA 1145—2006	Guide for the Use of Class A Foams in Manual Structural Fire Fighting	12/1/2008
NFPA 1991—2005	Standard on Vapor-Protective Ensembles for Hazardous Materials Emergencies	12/1/2008
NFPA 1992—2005	Standard on Liquid Splash-Protective Ensembles and Clothing for Hazardous Materials Emergencies.	12/1/2008
NFPA 1994—2007	Standard on Protective Ensembles for First Responders to CBRN Terrorism Incidents	12/1/2008
NFPA 2001—2008	Standard on Clean Agent Fire Extinguishing Systems	5/29/2009

*P=Proposed NEW drafts are available from NFPA's Web site—<http://www.nfpa.org> or may be obtained from NFPA's Codes and Standards Administration, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-7471.

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Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Availability of Diving Operations, Recreational Fishing, Research, Conservation, and Education Seats for the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council

AGENCY: National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice to extend the application deadline and request for applications. Notice of opening of an additional Advisory Council seat.

SUMMARY: The Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (FGBNMS or Sanctuary) is seeking applicants for the of Diving Operations, Recreational Fishing, Research, Conservation and Education seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council). Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the protection and management of marine resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. The Applicant chosen as a member should expect to serve a 3-year term, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

DATES: Applications are due by November 7, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Application kits may be obtained from Jennifer Morgan at NOAA-Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, 4700 Avenue U, Bldg. 216, Galveston, TX 77551 or downloaded from the sanctuary Web site <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov>. Completed applications should be sent to the same mailing address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Morgan, NOAA-Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, 4700 Avenue U, Bldg. 216, Galveston, TX 77551, 409-621-5151 ext. 103, Jennifer.Morgan@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Located in the northwestern Gulf of Mexico, the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary includes three separate areas, known as East Flower Garden, West

Flower Garden, and Stetson Banks. The Sanctuary was designated on January 17, 1992. Stetson Bank was added to the Sanctuary in 1996. The Sanctuary Advisory Council will consist of no more than 11 members; 8 non-governmental voting members and 3 governmental non-voting members. The Council may serve as a forum for consultation and deliberation among its members and as a source of advice to the Sanctuary manager regarding the management of the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1431, *et seq.*

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Daniel J. Basta,

Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XL48

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements; Public Workshops

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of workshops.

SUMMARY: NMFS, Alaska Region, and the U.S. Coast Guard, North Pacific Fisheries Training Center, will present workshops on eLandings, a consolidated electronic means of reporting production of commercial groundfish to multiple management agencies for Federal and State fisheries off the coast of Alaska, and 2009 recordkeeping and reporting requirements for the Alaska groundfish fisheries and Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) fisheries.

DATES: The workshops will be held on November 20 and 21, 2008. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the times.

ADDRESSES: The workshops will be held in Seattle, WA. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Hogan, 907-586-7462.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The workshops will include discussion of eLandings and 2009 recordkeeping and reporting requirements for Alaska

groundfish fisheries and IFQ fisheries and instructions for completing and submitting required reports and logbooks. The workshops are scheduled as follows: 1. November 20, 2008, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pacific Standard Time (PST), at the Silver Cloud Inn — Lake Union, Capital Hill Room, 1150 Fairview Ave N, Seattle, WA. NMFS will provide a demonstration of the new version of eLandings for at-sea catcher processors and training on how to submit daily production reports and fish tickets. 2. November 21, 2008, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., PST, at Pacific Marine Fish Expo, Qwest Field Event Center, Room C2, 800 Occidental Ave S, Seattle, WA. NMFS and Coast Guard will discuss recordkeeping and reporting requirements and instructions for completing and submitting required reports and logbooks. Suggestions and recommendations on scheduling these workshops or on holding workshops at other times and places are welcome.

Special Accommodations

These workshops will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Jennifer Hogan, 907-586-7462, at least 10 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 22, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico; Southeastern Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR)

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of change of dates for SEDAR Procedural Workshop on Catchability.

SUMMARY: The dates for the SEDAR Catchability Procedural Workshop, originally scheduled for November 17-20, 2008, have been changed to February 9-12, 2009. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The rescheduled Workshop will take place February 9, 2008, from 1