

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION
DRIVER/OPERATOR – PUMPER
Performance Standards Evaluation

Skill #5

DRIVING/OPERATING – Maneuvering Around Roadway Obstructions

PERFORMANCE STANDARD

Section 700

NFPA 1002- 4.3.3

Driver/Operator

OBJECTIVE

Maneuver a vehicle around obstructions on a roadway while moving forward and in reverse, given a fire department apparatus, a spotter for backing, and a roadway with obstructions, so that the vehicle is maneuvered through the obstructions without stopping to change the direction of travel and without striking the obstructions. (4.3.3)

INSTRUCTIONS - procedures for achieving the objective

Given a pumping apparatus and a spotter for backing, the Driver/Operator-Pumper candidate shall maneuver a vehicle around obstructions on a roadway while moving forward and in reverse, so that the vehicle is maneuvered through the obstructions without stopping to change the direction of travel and without striking the obstructions.

EXAMINER'S NOTE

Performance Skills 4 through 7 may be conducted individually or in one continuous exercise. Each Performance Skill is to be graded independently, regardless of which way it is performed.

This exercise measures a driver's ability to steer the apparatus in close limits without stopping. The exercise should be conducted with the apparatus moving first backward, then forward. The course or path of travel for this exercise can be established by placing a minimum of three markers, each spaced between 30 ft. (9 m.) and 38 ft. (12 m.) apart, in a line. The spacing of the markers should be based on the wheel base of the vehicle used. Adequate space must be provided on each side of the markers for the apparatus to move freely. The driver should drive the apparatus along the left side of the markers in a straight line and stop just beyond the last marker. The driver should then begin the exercise by backing the apparatus between the markers by passing to the left of marker No. 1, to the right of marker No. 2, and to the left of marker No. 3. At this point, the driver should stop the vehicle and then drive it forward between the markers by passing to the right of marker No. 3, to the left of marker No. 2, and to the right of marker No. 1.

PREPARATION & EQUIPMENT

Fire department pumping apparatus
Spotter
Cones

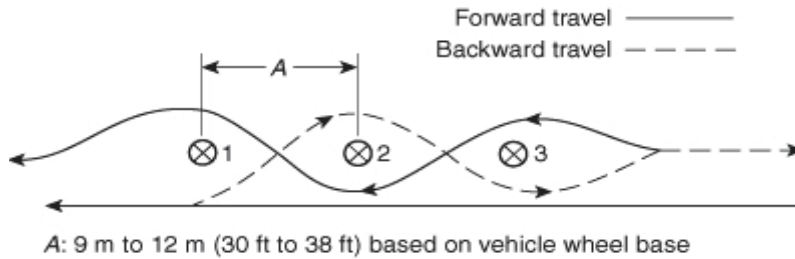
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Candidate: _____ Notes: _____

Training Provider: _____

Test Site: _____



Driver/Operator - Pumper	<u>TEST</u>		<u>RETEST</u>	
Skill #5	S	U	S	U
Maneuver a vehicle around obstructions on a roadway while moving forward and in reverse, given a apparatus, a spotter for backing, and a roadway with obstructions, so that the vehicle is maneuvered through the obstructions without stopping to change the direction of travel and without striking the obstructions. <p style="text-align: right;">(4.3.3)</p>				
The candidate:	S	U	S	U
a) Wore seat belt and assured all passengers were secured				
b) Maneuvered the vehicle around obstructions while moving backward				
c) Maneuvered the vehicle around obstructions while moving forward				
d) Did not stop to change the direction of travel				
e) Did not strike an obstruction				
f) Correctly used mirrors				
g) Accurately judged vehicle clearance				
h) Performed skill in a safe and proficient manner				

S = Satisfactorily completed/performed

U = Unsatisfactorily performed/failed to meet objective or grading step

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Examiner/Candidate Comments:

All steps of the skill objective are mandatory and must be scored as “Satisfactory” to pass the skill.

_____	_____	Driver Skill Sheet
Certifying Examiner	Date	Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	Driver Skill Sheet Re-Test
Re-Test Certifying Examiner	Date	Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail <input type="checkbox"/>

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