

2009 ANNUAL MEETING; REPORT ON PROPOSALS—Continued

[P = Partial revision; W = Withdrawal; R = Reconfirmation; N = New; C = Complete Revision]

NFPA 80	Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives	P
NFPA 99	Standard for Health Care Facilities	P
NFPA 99B	Standard for Hypobaric Facilities	P
NFPA 99C	Standard on Gas and Vacuum Systems	P
NFPA 101A	Guide on Alternative Approaches to Life Safety	P
NFPA 105	Standard for the Installation of Smoke Door Assemblies and Other Opening Protectives	P
NFPA 110	Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems	P
NFPA 111	Standard on Stored Electrical Energy Emergency and Standby Power Systems	P
NFPA 130	Standard for Fixed Guideway Transit and Passenger Rail Systems	P
NFPA 291	Recommended Practice for Fire Flow Testing and Marking of Hydrants	P
NFPA 302	Fire Protection Standard for Pleasure and Commercial Motor Craft	P
NFPA 400	Hazardous Materials Code	N
NFPA 430	Code for the Storage of Liquid and Solid Oxidizers	W
NFPA 432	Code for the Storage of Organic Peroxide Formulations	W
NFPA 434	Code for the Storage of Pesticides	W
NFPA 490	Code for the Storage of Ammonium Nitrate	W
NFPA 1123	Code for Fireworks Display	P
NFPA 1124	Code for the Manufacture, Transportation, Storage, and Retail Sales of Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles	P
NFPA 1221	Standard for the Installation, Maintenance, and Use of Emergency Services Communications Systems	P
NFPA 1710	Standard for the Organization and Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations to the Public by Career Fire Departments.	C
NFPA 1720	Standard for the Organization and Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations and Special Operations to the Public by Volunteer Fire Departments.	

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Richard F. Kayser,*Acting Deputy Director.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Institute of Standards and Technology****National Fire Codes: Request for Proposals for Revision of 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 fire safety codes and standards and requests proposals from the public to amend existing or begin the process of developing new NFPA fire 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 take 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 (ROP); Calling for Comments on the Committee's disposition of the proposals and these Comments are published in the Report on Comments (ROC); 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 website. Documents that receive notice of proper Amending Motions (Certified Amending Motions) will be presented for action at the Annual 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: Milosh Puchovsky, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Milosh Puchovsky, 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 fire 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 Committees' 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 ROP's are also available for free downloading at 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, and within the published deadline, 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.

Request for Proposals

Interested persons may submit proposals, supported by written data, views, or arguments to Milosh Puchovsky, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101. 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 code or standard.

Document-edition	Document name	Proposal closing date
NFPA 2—P*	Hydrogen Technologies Code	5/30/2008
NFPA 10—2007	Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers	5/30/2008
NFPA 11—2005	Standard for Low-, Medium-, and High-Expansion Foam	5/30/2008
NFPA 12—2008	Standard on Carbon Dioxide Extinguishing Systems	5/29/2009
NFPA 13E—2005	Recommended Practice for Fire Department Operations in Properties Protected by Sprinkler and Standpipe Systems.	5/30/2008
NFPA 14—2007	Standard for the Installation of Standpipes and Hose Systems	5/30/2008
NFPA 18—2006	Standard on Wetting Agents	5/30/2008
NFPA 25—2008	Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems.	5/30/2008
NFPA 30—2008	Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code	12/1/2008
NFPA 35—2005	Standard for the Manufacture of Organic Coatings	5/30/2008
NFPA 37—2006	Standard for the Installation and Use of Stationary Combustion Engines and Gas Turbines	5/30/2008
NFPA 45—2004	Standard on Fire Protection for Laboratories Using Chemicals	5/30/2008
NFPA 53—2004	Recommended Practice on Materials, Equipment, and Systems Used in Oxygen-Enriched Atmospheres.	5/30/2008
NFPA 70—2008	National Electrical Code®	11/7/2008
NFPA 70B—2006	Recommended Practice for Electrical Equipment Maintenance	5/30/2008
NFPA 91—2004	Standard for Exhaust Systems for Air Conveying of Vapors, Gases, Mists, and Noncombustible Particulate Solids.	5/30/2008
NFPA 120—2004	Standard for Fire Prevention and Control in Coal Mines	5/30/2008
NFPA 122—2004	Standard for Fire Prevention and Control in Metal/Nonmetal Mining and Metal Mineral Processing Facilities.	5/30/2008
NFPA 204—2007	Standard for Smoke and Heat Venting	5/30/2008
NFPA 211—2006	Standard for Chimneys, Fireplaces, Vents, and Solid Fuel-Burning Appliances	5/30/2008
NFPA 214—2005	Standard on Water-Cooling Towers	5/30/2008
NFPA 326—2005	Standard for the Safeguarding of Tanks and Containers for Entry, Cleaning, or Repair	5/30/2008

Document-edition	Document name	Proposal closing date
NFPA 329—2005	Recommended Practice for Handling Releases of Flammable and Combustible Liquids and Gases.	5/30/2008
NFPA 405—2004	Standard for the Recurring Proficiency of Airport Fire Fighters	5/30/2008
NFPA 408—2004	Standard for Aircraft Hand Portable Fire Extinguishers	5/30/2008
NFPA 409—2004	Standard on Aircraft Hangars	5/30/2008
NFPA 410—2004	Standard on Aircraft Maintenance	5/30/2008
NFPA 422—2004	Guide for Aircraft Accident/Incident Response Assessment	5/30/2008
NFPA 423—2004	Standard for Construction and Protection of Aircraft Engine Test Facilities	5/30/2008
NFPA 495—2006	Explosive Materials Code	5/30/2008
NFPA 498—2006	Standard for Safe Havens and Interchange Lots for Vehicles Transporting Explosives	5/30/2008
NFPA 520—2005	Standard on Subterranean Spaces	5/30/2008
NFPA 551—2007	Guide for the Evaluation of Fire Risk Assessments	5/30/2008
NFPA 600—2005	Standard on Industrial Fire Brigades	5/30/2008
NFPA 601—2005	Standard for Security Services in Fire Loss Prevention	5/30/2008
NFPA 701—2004	Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame Propagation of Textiles and Films	5/30/2008
NFPA 750—2006	Standard on Water Mist Fire Protection Systems	5/30/2008
NFPA 804—2006	Standard for Fire Protection for Advanced Light Water Reactor Electric Generating Plants	5/30/2008
NFPA 805—2006	Performance-Based Standard for Fire Protection for Light Water Reactor Electric Generating Plants.	5/30/2008
NFPA 806—P*	Performance Based Standard for Fire Protection for Advanced Nuclear Reactor Electric Generating Plants.	5/30/2008
NFPA 850—2005	Recommended Practice for Fire Protection for Electric Generating Plants and High Voltage Direct Current Converter Stations.	5/30/2008
NFPA 851—2005	Recommended Practice for Fire Protection for Hydroelectric Generating Plants	5/30/2008
NFPA 853—2007	Standard for the Installation of Stationary Fuel Cell Power Systems	5/30/2008
NFPA 900—2007	Building Energy Code	5/30/2008
NFPA 1003—2005	Standard for Airport Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications	5/30/2008
NFPA 1035—2005	Standard for Professional Qualifications for Public Fire and Life Safety Educator	5/30/2008
NFPA 1410—2005	Standard on Training for Initial Emergency Scene Operations	5/30/2008
NFPA 1452—2005	Guide for Training Fire Service Personnel to Conduct Dwelling Fire Safety Surveys	5/30/2008
NFPA 1600—2007	Standard on Disaster/Emergency Management and Business Continuity Programs	5/30/2008
NFPA 1620—2003	Recommended Practice for Pre-Incident Planning	5/30/2008
NFPA 1931—2004	Standard for Manufacturer's Design of Fire Department Ground Ladders	5/30/2008
NFPA 1932—2004	Standard on Use, Maintenance, and Service Testing of In-Service Fire Department Ground Ladders.	5/30/2008
NFPA 2001—2008	Standard on Clean Agent Fire Extinguishing Systems	5/29/2009

• 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.

Dated: March 31, 2008.

Richard F. Kayser,

Acting Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 10095

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the North Carolina Zoological Park, 4401 Zoo Parkway, Asheboro, NC 27205, has been issued a permit to

import two juvenile harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*) for the purposes of public display.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)427-2521; and Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, Saint Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727)824-5312; fax (727)824-5309.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Skidmore or Kate Swails, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 21, 2007, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 72674) that a request for a public display permit to import two male captive-born juvenile harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*) from the New Brunswick Aquarium and Marine Center, Shippagan, New Brunswick, Canada to the North Carolina Zoological Park, had been submitted by the above-

named organization. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Dated: March 31, 2008.

P. Michael Payne,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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