

## Driving Guidelines

The Mountain Fire Protection District (MFPD) will operate a fleet of fire trucks to meet the fire protection requirements of MFPD. All MFPD vehicles will be under the control of the Fire Chief. All MFPD vehicles will operate in compliance with the BC Motor Vehicle Act and Regulations, the National Safety Code and the BC Workers' Compensation Board Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.

The Fire Chief shall maintain procedures which will ensure the security and maintenance of all vehicles and maintain procedures which will ensure safe operation of such vehicles by authorized drivers.

Vehicles owned by MFPD shall only be driven by authorized drivers and used for official MFPD business.

Only those individuals with a valid driver's license, in the appropriate class (3 or 5) for the vehicle being operated, and who have signed a MFPD Driver Agreement, may operate a MFPD owned vehicle.

The conditions that every driver must meet in order to be eligible to operate a MFPD vehicle are as follows:

1. The Driver must hold a current, valid British Columbia Driver's license of a class appropriate to the vehicle being operated and its intended use.
2. An original copy of a BC Driving Record Search (Driver's Abstract) provided by the Insurance Corporation of BC (ICBC), operations Support Department must be on file with the Chairperson of MFPD and must be updated annually. Failure to provide a BC Driving Record Search restricts driver's ability to drive a MFPD vehicle.
3. The driver may not have on his/her official driving record (Driver's Abstract):
  - More than nine (9) penalty points within the twenty-four (24) months immediately prior to the issue of the record; and/or
  - Any suspension of driving privileges and /or prohibition from driving within the twenty-four (24) months immediately prior to the issue of the record; and / or

- Any alcohol or drug impairment related driving offences, violations or infractions with the thirty-six (36) months immediately prior to the issue of the record.
4. The Driver must sign a MFPD Driver Agreement.

The BC Driving Record Search (Driver's Abstract) shall be updated annually, on the driver's anniversary date and submitted to the Chairperson of the MFPD.

Any accidents which involve a MFPD vehicle, or damage caused to a MFPD vehicle while in the care and / or control of an authorized driver, shall be reported without delay to the Fire Chief, who will notify the Chairperson of the MFPD.

Smoking and/or the consumption of alcohol in MFPD vehicles is strictly prohibited.

The use of prescription and non-prescription drugs known to have adverse effect upon the ability to drive safely is strictly prohibited.



