

# Springdale Fire Department

## Policy & Procedures Manual

### Volume 1 – Administration

### Section 104 – Apparatus and Vehicles

### 104.8 – SFD Fleet Replacement Program

The service life and status of SFD emergency apparatus, ambulances, specialty vehicles, and staff vehicles is contingent upon a variety of factors including the age of the vehicle, the day to day use, the purpose, and the type of vehicle. This policy outlines the basic criteria for the replacement of all SFD fleet vehicles by category type. The SFD fleet will be evaluated annually and capital requests for the replacement of vehicles will be made during the annual budget development process.

#### **Fire Apparatus**

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Engines, Ladders, and Aerial Platforms will have an ideal service life of twenty years. When possible, apparatus may be moved from front line status to reserve status in the twelve to sixteen year period.

At minimum, two reserve engines will be maintained within the SFD fleet.

#### **Specialty Apparatus**

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Certain specialty apparatus, such as brush pumpers, rescue vehicles, or technical vehicles may have a service life either greater or less than the standard twenty years, depending on the frequency of use and reliability of each individual vehicle.

#### **Ambulances**

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Ambulances will have an ideal service life of seven years. When possible, ambulances may be moved from front line status to reserve status at the five to six year period.

Two reserve ambulances will be maintained within the SFD fleet.

#### **Staff Vehicles**

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Staff vehicles will have an ideal service life of ten years, or 100,000 miles.

#### **SFD Fleet Replacement Schedule**

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Details pertaining to the SFD fleet including apparatus, ambulances, and vehicles are available on the following schedule, 104.8.1 SFD Fleet Replacement Schedule. This schedule will be updated annually, or anytime a change occurs within the SFD fleet.