

**Permit Application – Fire Protection Equipment**

*Fire Service Act Section 128 (1)(ba)*

**Applicant Details:**

Name of applicant:

Home address:

 Post code:

Phone (Business): Mobile (Business):

Mobile (Personal): Personal E-mail

##### Name of employer:

*\* Mandatory field*

Have you previously had a photo taken for a fire protection equipment permit: [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

*If no, please have one taken at a Tasmania Fire Service Regional Office in Hobart, Launceston or Burnie*

Section 128(1)(ba) of the *Fire Service Act 1979* makes it an offence for any person to install, maintain or repair any fire protection equipment unless the person is the holder of a permit issued in accordance with the *General Fire Regulations 2021* unless exempted under Regulation 14. Regulation 8 requires the Chief Officer to issue a permit if satisfied that the applicant is competent to install, maintain or repair fire protection equipment.

**The following page contains the Fire Protection Inspection and Testing competencies from Nationally Recognised Training against which competence will be assessed. Please identify each competency you have attained by placing a tick () in the space provided. You are not required to complete all competencies, only those required to undertake your scope of work however there are 2 compulsory competencies you must complete, along with at least 1 other to become eligible for a permit. A Statement of Attainment must be provided for each competency sought before the Chief Officer will issue a Permit. FPAS competencies will also be considered where aligned with Nationally Recognised Training.**

Where issued, a permit will detail the units of competence the Chief Officer has accepted and you will be limited to only installing, maintaining or repairing that fire protection equipment. You may apply at any time free of charge to extend the scope of your permit to include other competencies as you might gain them. Permits will be valid for up to 3 years from the date of issue.

A person installing, maintaining or repairing any fire protection equipment outside the scope or conditions of their permit may have the permit cancelled. A person installing, maintaining or repairing any fire protection equipment without a permit is in breach of the Fire Service Act. A permit does not exclude a person from the need to comply with the requirements or obligations specified in any other Act, Regulation or By-Law.

**Application fee**

A permit fee of $255 for one (1) year, $405 for two (2) years or $554 for three (3) years (GST inclusive) is payable and must accompany your application. Please advise if this is to be issued in the name of Company or Individual, a permit application will not be processed until the application fee has been received. In line with taxation requirements, an official tax invoice will be issued to each applicant upon receipt of the application and application fee.

**Competency Schedule**

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| **New National Code** | **Unit Name** | **Tick** |
| CPPCMN2002A | Participate in workplace safety arrangements |  |
| CPPCMN2003A | Provide effective client service |  |
| CPPFES2003A | Safely move loads and dangerous goods  |  |
| CPPFES2004A | Identify types of installed fire safety equipment and systems  | 1 |
| CPPFES2005A | Demonstrate first attack firefighting equipment |  |
| CPPFES2006A | Prepare for installation and servicing operations | 1 |
| CPPFES2007A | Maintain quality of work and promote continuous improvement |  |
| CPPFES2010A | Inspect and test fire hose reels  | 2 |
| CPPFES2011A | Install portable fire extinguishers and fire blankets | 3 |
| CPPFES2016A | Inspect, test and maintain delivery lay flat fire hoses |  |
| CPPFES2020A | Conduct routine inspection and testing of fire extinguishers and fire blankets |  |
| CPPFES2021A | Inspect, test and maintain fire extinguishers |  |
| CPPFES2025A | Inspect, test and maintain gaseous fire suppression systems |  |
| CPPFES2026A | Inspect and test emergency and exit lighting systems |  |
| CPPFES2027A | Inspect, test and maintain non-gaseous pre-engineered fire suppression systems |  |
| CPPFES2035A | Identify, inspect and test fire and smoke doors |  |
| CPPFES2037A | Inspect and test fire hydrant systems  | 4 |
| CPPFES2039A | Identify, inspect and test passive fire and smoke containment products and systems |  |
| CPPFES2043A | Prevent ozone depleting substance and synthetic greenhouse gas emissions |  |
| CPPFES2047A | Inspect and test control and indicating equipment |  |
| CPPFES2050A | Monitor storage operations for scheduled gaseous fire extinguishing agents |  |

1. This is a compulsory competency.

2Licensed Plumbers may be issued a permit to inspect, test and replace fire hose reels if they produce evidence of their registration under the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005*.

3 People are exempt from needing a permit to install portable fire extinguishers, fire blankets and battery powered smoke alarms in non-prescribed buildings. While competence is not mandatory for this type of work, it is highly recommended.

4 Plumbers who are licenced at Plumber - Certifier level (or equivalent) under the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005* are exempt under *General Fire Regulation 14* from the need of a permit to install, maintain and repair hydrants and hydrant valves. Endorsed sprinkler fitters may be issued a permit if they produce evidence of their Sprinkler Fitter qualification. Others are not exempt and will need to provide evidence of competence before a permit is issued. Additionally, the scope of work of “others” is limited by the above Act to visual inspections and verification of the presence of water only. Only a person licenced at Plumber - Certifier level is authorised to pull apart a hydrant or any part of a fire hydrant system.

5 To enable permit holders to undertake flow and hydrant testing, applicants must have completed the following elements of *CPPFES2037A - Inspect and test fire hydrant systems*

* Open partially all hydrant valves in the system and prove the presence of pressurised water at each point.
* Verify that valve position indicators are securely mounted and indicate correctly.
* Verify all branch pipe, nozzles and hose couplings and waterways are unobstructed and in good condition.
* Conduct a water supply proving test for each water supply verifying that the system flow and pressure requirements meet the design criteria using:
* a fixed flow meter test facility; or
* a portable test apparatus at the most hydraulically disadvantaged hydrant valves.
* Check suctions inlet strainer or screen.
* Following water supply providing test, clean suction inlet strainer. Lower raised screen and raise clean in-use screen.
* Check that exposed water distribution system, including pipework pipe supports and valves, appear free from corrosion and damage, there are no external loads and pipework is properly supported.
* Check for obstructions likely to impede hydrant valve access.

6 Where a hydrant system that is connected to pump sets and a booster, only the hydrant system can be flow tested by a Fire Equipment Permit Holder. The booster and pump sets must be tested by a Fire Protection Systems Permit holder.

7 A portable permit holder may undertake hydrant and flow testing in collaboration of the fire systems holder

**Please note -** In instances where a Statement of Attainment has not yet been received from the accredited assessor but you wish to apply for a permit now, you will require a letter from your assessor endorsing competence in the unit/s sought. Endorsement letters will be valid for a maximum period of 30 days. At that time a Statement of Attainment must have been provided.

**Applicant Declaration:**

*I,*

*declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have provided in this application is correct in all respects.*

I am seeking a permit for: [ ]  1 year ($250.00)

 [ ]  2 years ($397.00)

 [ ]  3 years ($543.00)

Credit card payment at time of application is preferred, please complete the details below. Please contact us for other payment options.

A tax receipt will be issued once the application fee has been processed.

Card Name:

Card No:

Expiry Date:

CCV:

Permit fee attached?: [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

(Please note the application will not be processed until the application fee has been received)

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Applicant’s signature Date

**Office Use Only:**

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Permit Number:

Permit duration: [ ]  1 year [ ]  2 years [ ]  3 years

Date Issued: Expiry date: ……………………….

Endorsed by Manager Building Safety: ……………………….. Date:…………….

Application fee received: [ ]  Photo attached: [ ]  Task list updated: [ ]

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