STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Division of Forests and Lands FOREST PROTECTION BUREAU

Maximum Rate Schedule

For Sharing Forest Fire Prevention, Suppression, And Training Costs Between the State and Municipalities

Effective March 1, 2023

The expenses of pre-suppression and suppression of woodland fires in municipalities, and other expenses lawfully incurred by wardens and deputy wardens of municipalities in preventing woodland fires, shall be borne equally by the municipality and the State, at rates within the following limits established by the Commissioner of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources and the Director of the Division of Forests and Lands (RSA 227-L:22).

PERSONNEL POSITION RATES			
PERSONNEL SERVICE / POSITION	EQUIVALENT MINIMUM STATE LABOR GRADE	MAXIMUM RATE PER HOUR	
Issuing Agent	1	\$11.16	
Laborer	4	\$12.11	
Fire Fighter	6	\$12.83	
Technical Specialist	8	\$13.64	
Deputy Warden	10	\$14.73	
Warden	14	\$17.13	

EQUIPMENT/ RENTAL RATES			
Aviation Resources	Contact your Forest Ranger for helicopter or other aviation resource rates.		
Federal Excess Property Units	Only out-of-pocket expenses, i.e. gas, oil. Receipts required		
Foam, Damaged and/or Lost Equipment	Invoiced cost based on compatible/competitive rates with the Town Tool / Cache program		
Passenger Cars and Trucks used to transport fire fighters and/or equipment	65.5 cents per mile		
All Other Equipment	2015 FEMA Schedule of Equipment Rates adjusted with common NH resources, which can be found online at: <u>https://www.nh.gov/nhdfl/community/fire-warden-information/warden-forms-and-information.htm</u>		
	You can also contact your Forest Ranger to obtain equipment rate information.		

• Equipment must be in actual operation performing eligible work in order for reimbursement to be eligible.

• Standby costs are not eligible.

• Labor costs of operator are not included in the rates and should be approved separately from equipment costs.

• Rates for equipment not listed will be furnished by the Division of Forests & Lands upon request.

FOOD and OTHER MISCELLANEOUS COSTS

- Food and other legitimate costs will be cost shared on the basis of receipted bills.
- Original copies must be submitted with the Fire Bill.
- Cost share rate for <u>paper permit issuance</u> is \$2.00 per permit. Paper permits are free and no cost may be passed on to the permittee – Copies of fire permits (yellow copy) or a print-out showing permittee name, date, location & category of permit issued must be submitted with Fire Bill

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