Pleasant Valley Fire District
District Policy

Personal Protective Equipment Policy

Purpose: To have a systematic plan for the retirement of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Scope: This applies to all interior firefighting and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) PPE.

The Pleasant Valley Fire District values the health and safety of their responders. Studies show the dangers first responders face today and the importance of responders having proper PPE. The district plans on the proper retirement of PPE.

1. All PPE will be inspected on a yearly basis. The Board of Fire Commissioners will approve all individuals/vendors permitted to inspect PPE.
2. Any PPE found to be over fifteen (15) years old will be immediately retired.
3. Any PPE exposed to chemicals which are deemed not to be able to be cleaned properly, will be immediately retired.
4. Any contaminated PPE that cannot be cleaned in-house will be sent to be laundered at an approved facility prior to being condemned and removed from service.
5. Any PPE deemed to be condemned by an authorized cleaning and repair center will be immediately removed from service.
6. Any PPE that the district approved inspectors feel needs a second opinion will be sent to an approved repair and cleaning facility.
7. All repairs and professional cleaning will be an approved authorized center.

Adopted April 14, 2020