

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES – NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

ABOUT THE APPLICATION

The completed application will provide Fire and Emergency Services – Newfoundland and Labrador (FES-NL) with information about the municipality or local service district and the firefighting equipment being requested to determine eligibility for funding under this program.

Upon receipt of the application, FES-NL will evaluate and recommend the type and quantity of the most suitable equipment to meet fire protection needs. FES-NL may assess the applicability of other forms of equipment which may not be specifically identified in the completed application.

All sections of the application must be completed (section I, II and III). Applications must be received by March 31st.

Completed applications will not be carried forward to future years. Applications are required on an annual basis by March 31st.

SCOPE

This program will provide financial assistance on a cost-shared basis, to approved municipalities and local service districts for the acquisition, upgrading and replacement of firefighting equipment.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

FES-NL will administer the program and provide guidance on the application process, if required.

FES-NL completes municipal fire protection assessments and will use the information from these assessments to make recommendations on firefighting equipment needs and the associated funding.

FUNDING LEVELS

Eligible firefighting equipment includes portable pumps, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), cylinders, hoses, nozzles, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE including bunker clothing, rubber boots, gloves, helmets, and hoods), extrication tools, communication equipment, thermal imaging cameras, air compressors/purification systems, fill/fragmentation systems, cascade systems, and ladders.

The final cost-shared funding shall be established based upon unit pricing quotes obtained by the requesting municipality or local service district, and verified by FES-NL. FES-NL may establish maximum unit pricing based on the type of equipment requested. The applicable cost-shared ratios are determined by FES-NL in accordance with government policy.

Financial assistance for SCBA replacement will only be considered if the SCBA currently in service does not meet current standards or cannot be upgraded to the current standards in accordance with FES-NL's Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Guidance Document.

Requests for financial assistance for operating grants or training for fire departments will **not** be considered under this program.

Note: If an application is approved, it may be approved conditionally subject to meeting specific requirement(s) which will be identified in the approval letter. Any such conditions must be met prior to the release of funds.

EQUIPMENT STANDARDS

FES-NL will identify the minimum standards for all cost-shared firefighting equipment. Equipment that has already been acquired by municipalities or local services districts without the prior written approval of the Minister are **not** eligible for this program. FES-NL will not cost-share equipment that does not meet approved standards.

REQUEST PROCESS

Municipalities and local service districts are to submit all requests for financial assistance for firefighting equipment to the Director of Fire Services/Fire Commissioner at FES-NL and are subject to the written approval of the Minister.

Note: Completed applications submitted directly from fire departments will not be accepted.

Requests for firefighting equipment on an emergency basis may be submitted for consideration at any time. In some cases, FES-NL may not recommend approval and suggest that the request be resubmitted by March 31st for consideration in the next fiscal year.

PURCHASE PROCESS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Municipalities and local service districts that receive written approval from the Minister can proceed to order the approved equipment as identified in the Minister's letter. Upon delivery of the equipment, the municipality or local service district must submit the original invoice to FES-NL and FES-NL will arrange payment.

Note: Municipalities and local service districts cannot use funding for reasons other than stated in the Minister's approval letter without written permission to do so and only in extenuating circumstances will such requests be considered.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Other documentation as may be requested by the Director of Fire Services/Fire Commissioner to assist in determining eligibility.

Municipalities and local service districts approved under this program must conduct appropriate maintenance and inspection(s) of the firefighting equipment.

SECTION I – MUNICIPALITY OR LOCAL SERVICE DISTRICT (LSD) INFORMATION

Legal Name of Municipality/Local Service District			
Municipality/Local Service District Street Address	Town/City	Province	Postal Code
Contact Person Name (Municipality/LSD)		Position (Clerk, Manager, Chairperson)	
Contact Person Telephone Number	Contact Person Fax Number	Contact Person Email Address	

SECTION II - EQUIPMENT REQUESTED

Supplier Quote Attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Dollar Value Requested (Including HST)			
Type of Equipment Requested (Prioritize)	Replacement Equip. (Yes/No)	Quantity	Unit Price
1.			
2.			
3.			
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7.			
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11.			
12.			

Mayor/Chairperson Signature

Date

SECTION III - EQUIPMENT CONDITION REPORT

**Fire and Emergency Services – Newfoundland and Labrador
Equipment Condition Report
(e.g. SCBA, hose, clothing, nozzles, portable pumps, etc.)**

Fire Department _____

Equipment Type _____

Make _____ Model _____

Date equipment acquired _____ Supplier _____

Is equipment presently in service? YES NO

Overall Condition of Equipment:
Excellent Good Fair Poor N/A

Please provide a complete description of equipment condition.

Please provide an outline of equipment maintenance history.

Has equipment been tested in accordance with appropriate standards, where applicable?

YES NO

If yes, please indicate what tests and who conducted them.
