Inspection, Testing and Maintenance (ITM) for 2020 - Tags

Des Moines Fire Department requires current tags on all service appliances. 2020 tags will be green.

Instructions based on Previously Asked Questions:

1. If you did not test for 2019, you are required to test for 2020. You must test every 3 years and renew annually. 2019 tags were yellow, if you don’t have that one, you will need to retest.

2. If applying for Sprinkler, Fire Alarm or Suppression Systems – you must first have a State of Iowa License. You do not need a State License if you are only applying for Extinguisher tags. State of Iowa Fire Marshal’s Office phone # is 515-725-6145.

3. Cost is $45 which includes 50 tags. Additional tags are $.10 each.
   Payment Methods: Check (payable to City of Des Moines), Visa/MC or cash due at time of testing/permit renewal. If you are wanting to pay via company credit card without the card in hand, you will need to have the attached form filled out.

4. Testing is by appointment only. You can call 515-283-4240 or email Firedept@dmgov.org to set up an appointment. Testing is done Monday-Friday 830am-10am when the Clerk is in the office.

5. Applications require you to bring in 3 things – EVERY year:
   - COPY of State License (it will be kept, so do not bring your original)
   - Filled out and signed Application for Permit Form
   - Filled out and signed Appliance Tag Form

   These forms are available at: http://www.dmgov.org/Departments/Fire/Pages/Documents.aspx

6. We do not have study guides, however the Application for Permit advises which IFC and NFPA sections are covered in each test. Tests are not open book.

7. Permits are issued to the Individual, only that person may inspect, tag or do maintenance on items they are putting a tag on. Apprentices, Interns, Co-workers, etc. may not work under someone else’s permit.

8. Companies can send a list of all their employees needing renewals to fireddept@dmgov.org but it must be accompanied by the State License and signed forms from # 5. Send in two days in advance so we can get them ready to pick up – this will you save time waiting on processing.

9. Be sure to sign up for the Fire Prevention Newsletter at www.dmgov.org for updates and information on when 2020 tags will be available – an email be sent out.

Thank you,

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