



NFPA GUIDE FOR POLICYMAKERS

What is NFPA?

Founded in 1896, the **National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®)** is a global, self-funded, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property, and economic loss due to fire, electrical, and related hazards. NFPA delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach, and advocacy.

How NFPA Can Assist Policymakers

NFPA's office in Washington, DC, manages NFPA's critical relationships with federal agencies, Congress, the White House, and the government affairs offices of major fire service, safety, and standards organizations. It also works with NFPA's regional representatives to coordinate responses to state and local issues. The office is a resource for decision-makers throughout government who want access to a wide range of reliable, independent information — from safety codes and standards to educational materials on many topics such as preventing fires and advancing community risk reduction efforts.

How NFPA Stays Current with Safety Issues

Communities around the world are safer because of their use of NFPA codes and standards. Best known for NFPA 1, *Fire Code*, and NFPA 70®, *National Electrical Code*®, NFPA continues to respond to national security and first responder concerns as they change over time. For example, NFPA has developed standards for the planning and preparation for, response to, and recovery from an active shooter event and for the use

of drones in public safety operations. **All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed for free online on the organization's website at nfpa.org/standards.**

NFPA standards are revised every three to five years through a robust, public, consensus process that is accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and that involves balanced panels of experts and interested parties. NFPA believes that only by working together can those of us whose work affects the safety of others — from electricians to engineers to first responders — build a network of knowledge to help keep our increasingly complex world safe. NFPA is committed to leading this charge.

NFPA educational and public outreach efforts are often praised for their contribution to the safety of citizens in the United States and around the world. From detailed training and technical certifications to information targeting high risk groups like senior citizens, NFPA is a trusted source of safety information and data.

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