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PARADE FLOAT REQUIREMENTS (Effective March 1, 2020)

1. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS:

- Motorized parade floats and towing apparatus shall be provided with a minimum 2-A:10-BC rated portable fire extinguisher readily accessible to the operator. (Amendments 2018 IFC, Section 320.3)
- All fire extinguishers shall have a current (*within a year*) inspection sticker from a licensed extinguisher company or provide proof that extinguisher is new (*store receipt*).

2. DECORATIVE MATERIALS:

- Decorative material on parade floats shall be noncombustible or flame retardant. (Amendments 2018 IFC, Section 320.2)

3. EXHAUST PIPES:

- Motorized float exhaust pipes must be extended past the exterior of the float and must be clear of all decorative material. (Amendments 2018 IFC, Section 320.4)

4. ESCAPE HATCH:

- Motorized floats shall be equipped with a quick escape hatch from interior driver compartments. (Amendments 2018 IFC, Section 320.5)

5. ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS:

- All electrical connections shall be enclosed in a UL listed electrical junction box.

6. GENERATORS:

- Fuel tanks shall be of adequate capacity to permit uninterrupted operation during normal operating hours. Re-fueling is prohibited during the parade.

NOTE: Other requirements may follow pending results of fire inspection

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