

# ADVISORY NOTICE REGARDING NEW CANCER LAW

## REQUIRED DEPARTMENTAL POLICY:

As part of the requirements for firefighters to have presumption, RSA 281-A:17, II requires that each fire department voluntarily establish a policy that follows the Fire Standards and Training Commission curriculum requirement for best practices for the use and cleaning of equipment.

At this time, the following items are outlined in the curriculum regarding the use and cleaning of equipment:

- The proper use of personal protective equipment during fire ground operations and during overhaul. PPE and SCBA shall be used during overhaul until air monitoring has been conducted and the area has been cleared.
- Ensure the use of vehicle exhaust system to remove toxic gases from the station. If your station is not equipped with an exhaust system, measures should be made to operate the vehicles in a building for the shortest time possible.
- Proper storage, cleaning, and replacement of Personal Protective Equipment
- Ensure firefighters shower after every fire

