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INFORMATION

In May 2018, Registered Fire Protection Technicians (RFPT), employers and Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) were advised of the new RFPT Standard of Practice (SoP). RFPTs and fire service companies have had 18 months to use up their inventory of old tags and labels before printing new tags and labels as specified and required in sections 4.0 and 5.0 of the SoP. Many companies have already switched to the new tag and label format and have been applying these tags in accordance with the SoP.

PRACTICE REQUIREMENT

All ASTTBC Registrants must meet the requirements of published laws, regulations, codes and standards appropriate to the jurisdiction in which work is being carried out. RFPTs are advised to check the laws and regulations specific to the municipalities in which they are inspecting and testing fire protection and fire safety equipment and systems.

Effective January 1, 2020, all tags and labels used for the inspection and testing of fire protection equipment and systems must be in the new format as specified in the SoP.

An RFPT that uses old format tags in 2020 is non-compliant to the SoP and therefore in violation of the ASTTBC Code of Ethics. In these cases, the ASTTBC Practice Review Board will be advised.

The RFPT SoP provides information on the proper format, text and use of tags and labels. It may be referenced at the following web url: https://fireprotection.asttbc.org/sop/

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