WAC 296-305-04507 Fire apparatus maintenance and repair. (1) If at any time a fire apparatus is found to be in an unsafe condition, it must be reported immediately to the officer on duty.

(2) If in the driver or duty officer's determination, the apparatus cannot be used in a safe manner, it must be taken out of service until it has been restored to a safe operating condition.

(3) All repairs to the suppression components of emergency vehicles of the fire department must be done by an emergency vehicle technician, ASE certified technician or factory qualified individual. Repairs, maintenance or routine work to nonsuppression systems of suppression apparatus or other fire department vehicles and their equipment must be done by personnel qualified in the specific area of repair. Fire service pumps with a capacity of 499 gallons per minute or less and not used for interior structural firefighting operations are exempt from this requirement.

(a) A preventive maintenance program must be instituted and records maintained for each individual apparatus in order to record and track potential or on-going problems.

(b) Apparatus must be maintained and tested in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Note: Additional information can be found in the 2007 edition of NFPA 1911, Standard for the Inspection, Maintenance, Testing and Retirement of In-service Automotive Fire Apparatus.
Qualifications for persons working on emergency response vehicles can be found in the 2000 edition of NFPA 1071, Standard for Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualification, A.1.1 and A.2.1.

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