

Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety

Mission and philosophy

Through quality service and motivated employees, work in concert with our customers to protect life and property from fire and electrical hazards.

Results of outcomes

In FY03, the Fire Prevention Division performed 250 plan reviews for new construction, remodel work and additions to existing buildings. As a result, 790 inspections were conducted to ensure these facilities met the minimum standards adopted by the state.

The division also conducted 532 fire and life safety inspections in existing schools, day care facilities, hotel/motels and state institutions. It responded to 59 complaints and received 2,495 requests for assistance in code interpretations, on-site inspections and technical research.

In FY03, the Electrical Division processed 3,078 applications for electrical licenses. Exams were held six times at five locations and a total of 570 applicants tested, which resulted in 323 new licenses being issued to perform electrical installations. A total of 1,135 apprentices were registered to begin or continue their training to become licensed journeyman electricians or technicians. A total of 3,644 electrical wiring permits were issued, resulting in 3,644 inspections to ensure the installations met the requirements of the National Electrical Code. During this period, the division made an additional 3,675 contacts for safety inspections, license checks and requests for assistance in code interpretation.

The Training Division documented training, testing and certification of 424 Wyoming emergency response personnel. Two-hundred twenty fire service training classes were conducted and over 2,450 emergency services personnel were trained. In FY03, 134 Terrorism Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations courses were attended by 725 emergency responders. The funding for this program is provided to Wyoming as a result of a grant the agency was awarded from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the United States Fire Administration for \$105,000.00.

The Fire/Arson Investigation section

General Information

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Other Locations

Riverton, WY; Buffalo, WY; Green River, WY;
Laramie, WY; Lusk, WY; Thayne, WY

Year Established

1963

Statutory References

W.S. 35-9-101 through 35-9-130

Number of Authorized Personnel

31 full-time

Organizational Structure

Administration Division, Fire Prevention
Division, Training Division, Electrical Safety
Division.

Clients Served

Fire Service, Law Enforcement, Architects,
Engineers, Building and Fire Code Officials,
Federal/State/County Agencies, Building and
Electrical Contractors, Electrical Industry,
Media, and General Public.

Budget Information

General funds	\$1,885,503
Federal funds	\$66,122
Other	\$258,251
Total	\$2,209,876

investigated 40 fire scenes for origin and cause determination as well as providing written reports and follow-up investigation reports to local fire departments and law enforcement agencies.

Outcome Measure I-A-01: Increase the number of Wyoming certification programs being completed by emergency services personnel.
FY01 - 329/FY02 - 395/FY03 - 424.

Outcome Measure I-A-02: Offer community-based programs that are targeted at reducing resident injuries and deaths associated with fire emergencies and electrical hazards.
FY01 - 13/FY02 - 2/FY03 - 4.

Outcome Measure I-A-03: Increase the number of Wyoming fire departments using the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) Version 5.0.
FY01 - 88/FY02 - 6/FY03 - 27.

Outcome Measure I-B-01: Provide an opportunity for individuals and businesses to become licensed and/or certified.
FY01 - 3,556/FY02 - 4,152/FY03 - 3,078.

Outcome Measure I-B-02: Ensure that all newly constructed, remodels or additions to buildings in our jurisdiction meet the minimum requirements of the adopted codes.
FY01 - 188/FY02 - 207/FY03 - 250.

Outcome Measure I-B-03: Within our jurisdiction, in the existing buildings in which we provide maintenance inspections, reduce the number of code deficiencies noted during fire and electrical safety inspections.
FY01 - 413/FY02 - 2,062/FY03 - 2,068.

Outcome Measure I-B-04: The number of requests for fire scene investigations.
FY01 - 46/FY02 - 42/FY03 - 40.

Strategic plan changes

There were no changes to the strategic plan.

State Electrical Board

Agency to which group reports

Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety.

Number of members

Three members appointed by the governor.

Meeting frequency

There are two statutorily mandated meetings per year. If possible, the board meets quarterly.

Council on Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety

Agency to which group reports

Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety

Number of members

Five members appointed by the governor.

Meeting frequency

There are two statutorily mandated meetings per year. If possible, the council meets quarterly.

Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety organization chart

