

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **Maintenance of Fire Protection Equipment Technical Advisory Committee (TAC/1)**

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TAC/1 provides a forum for members to discuss and actively participate in the review and development of policy and standards relating to the maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment. Specifically, TAC/1 has a strong role to play in the development of AS1851 *Maintenance of Fire Protection Systems and Equipment* and associated state-based regulations

TAC/1 will:

- assist in educating users, consumers and providers of fire protection systems and equipment maintenance on how to apply maintenance.
- provide feedback to NTAC, relevant TACs and members of FPA Australia on matters relating to the take up and implementation of maintenance requirements.

The committee has direct links to all TACs and the Standards Australia FP-001 Maintenance of Fire Protection Equipment committee as well as all other fire protection system and equipment related Standards Australia committees.

The make up of TAC/1 is unique in that it includes a nominated representative from each of the other TACs in addition to members that have gone through the normal application process.

#### **Key Functions:**

- Be aware of all legislation, regulations, codes, Australian Standards, and other publications that relate to the maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment.
- Provide input into the development of Australian Standards relating to the maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment, particularly AS 1851.
- Provide guidance on technical and application matters related to the maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment to FPA Australia, TACs and SIGs.
- Review FPA Australia's relevant educational material and recommend the development of supporting documents (e.g. a data sheet) when the need is identified.
- Assist with the preparation of articles for publications such as FireTalk and the Fire Australia Journal on matters relating to the maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment.
- Report to NTAC on key issues, recommendations, and request advice.

#### **Secondary Roles:**

- Promote the flow of information related to standards for maintenance of fire protection systems and equipment to FPA Australia members.
- Provide a forum to bring members with allied interest together.
- Work cooperatively with relevant external groups.
- Provide information about seminars and conferences relative to the industry, which should be considered by the Board.
- Run seminars or workshops on subjects of interest to FPA Australia members.

**Interrelationships:**

- FPA Australia Head Office
- National Technical Advisory Committee (NTAC)
- TAC/2 Fire Detection and Alarm Systems
- TAC/3/7 Portable Fire Equipment
- TAC/4/8/9 Fire Sprinkler and Hydrant Systems
- TAC/11/22 Special Hazards Protection Systems
- TAC/17 Emergency Management Procedures
- TAC/18 Fire Safety
- TAC/19 Passive Fire Protection
- TAC/20 Bushfire Safety
- TAC/23 Tunnel Fire Safety
- FP-001 Maintenance of Fire Protection Equipment
- FP-002 Fire Detection, Warning, Control and Intercom Systems
- FP-003 Fire Extinguishers
- FP-004 Automatic Fire Sprinkler Installations
- FP-007 Fire Hose Reels
- FP-008 Fire Pumps & Tanks
- FP-009 Fire Hydrant Installations
- FP-011 Special Hazard Fire Protection Systems
- FP-019 Passive Fire Protection
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