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SUBJECT: 2020 Inspection Guide & PPE SOP Submittal Deadline:

- See the revised compliance inspection guide, TCFP Form 066, [Click Here](#)
- Submit the Protective Clothing Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to the regional compliance officer not later than March 31, 2020 [Click Here](#)

First, the revised TCFP Form 066, Compliance Inspection Guide is designed to assist fire departments prepare for a compliance inspection. Compliance officers have completed a review of all the requirements in the inspection guide and they have an in-depth working knowledge of the codes, rules and standards. They are available to answer questions and to assist regulated entities understand how to use the inspection guide. They are available to provide informational briefings to stakeholder groups and organizations. Please contact your regional compliance officer if you need more information.

Second, the protective clothing SOP annual submittal to the TCFP regional compliance officer is due not later than **March 31, 2020**. See annual submittal requirement at TAC 435.1(3) [Click Here](#)

The 2020 Edition of NFPA 1851 Standard on Selection, Care, and Maintenance of Structural Fire Fighting Protective Ensembles was released in August of 2019. The revised inspection guide includes the requirements in the 2020 Edition of NFPA 1851. The 2020 Edition supersedes the 2014 Edition that was used to conduct compliance inspections prior to the new edition. The NFPA 1851, 2020 Edition includes new and changed standards that may require regulated departments to modify or change internal protective clothing policies to incorporate new procedures and practices in order to comply with the new edition.

Affected fire departments, training facilities, and other regulated entities are reminded that requirements in NFPA 1851 must be incorporated into department required SOP pertaining to protective clothing. **This link provides sample risk assessments and a SOP check sheet to help regulated entities formulate a compliant Protective Clothing SOP.** [Click Here](#)