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BACKING UP APPARATUS

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Purpose:

Backing up apparatus can be a difficult challenge when you're unable to see behind the unit when backing. This policy will not only help the driver in backing up, but also to insure safety.

Policy:

When backing up apparatus, the driver should have a passenger when available to be a spotter. The spotter shall remain in verbal, or visual contact with the driver.

The spotter shall place themselves to the rear and on the driver's side of the apparatus.

Driver's window shall be open while backing up.

If the operator does not understand directives from the spotter, motion of the apparatus shall cease until clarification is obtained.

If a spotter is not available, the driver shall do a walk around of the vehicle prior to backing.