

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 26: LABOR AND INDUSTRY**  
**Chapter 28: MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS FOR FIREFIGHTERS**

**§2104. REQUIRED PROVISION AND USE OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**

**1. Eye, face protection.** Each fire department shall provide and each firefighter shall use eye or face protection, or both, when the firefighter is engaged in fire suppression and other operations involving hazards to the eyes and face at all times when the face is not protected by the full facepiece of self-contained breathing apparatus.

[ 2003, c. 570, §4 (AMD); 2003, c. 570, §7 (AFF) .]

**2. Hearing protection.**

[ 2003, c. 570, §7 (AFF); 2003, c. 570, §5 (RP) .]

**3. Self-contained breathing apparatus.** Each fire department shall provide and each firefighter shall use self-contained breathing apparatus when the firefighter enters structural fires or when proximity hazards require that protection. Each fire department shall establish a program of maintenance and repair to ensure that self-contained breathing apparatus retains its original effectiveness as recommended by the manufacturer.

This subsection is effective beginning October 1, 1988.

[ 1987, c. 552, §4 (RPR) .]

**4. Personal alert safety system.** Each fire department shall provide a personal alert safety system with every self-contained breathing apparatus.

This subsection is effective beginning October 1, 1988.

[ 1987, c. 552, §5 (RPR) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 356, (NEW). 1987, c. 552, §§4,5 (AMD). 2003, c. 570, §§4,5 (AMD). 2003, c. 570, §7 (AFF).

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