

Hurricane Fire & Rescue

Hurricane, WV

Operation Guidelines

Subject	Pike Poles and Axes
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Purpose: This guideline identifies the procedure for pike pole and axe maintenance and cleaning.

Scope: All personnel

Responsibility: It is the responsibility of all personnel to adhere to this guideline.

During monthly apparatus checks:

1. All axes and pike poles will be **checked** for cracks, burns, etc.
2. Tightness of axe heads and pike pole heads should be checked.
3. Tools will be cleaned as needed.
4. Wood handled items will be cleaned and sanded as necessary.
5. Repaint axe heads and pike pole heads as necessary.