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## **1.1 SECTION INCLUDES**

- .1 Fire Safety Requirements
- .2 Hot Work Permit

## **1.2 RELATED WORK**

- .1 Section 01 35 29 Health and Safety Requirements

## **1.3 REFERENCES**

- .1 Fire Protection Standards issued by Fire Protection Services of Human Resources Development Canada as follows:
  - .1 FCC No. 301 – Standard for Construction Operations.
  - .2 FCC No. 302 – Standard for Welding and Cutting.
  - .3 FCC standards, may be viewed at the Regional Fire Protection Services' office (previously known as the Fire Commissioner of Canada) located at 99 Wyse Road, 8th Floor, Dartmouth, NS, Tel: (902) 426-6053.
  - .4 All standards mentioned above shall be of latest edition.

## **1.4 DEFINITIONS**

- .1 Hot Work defined as:
  - .1 Welding work
  - .2 Cutting of materials by use of torch or other open flame devices
  - .3 Grinding with equipment which produces sparks.
  - .4 Use of open flame torches.

## **1.5 SUBMITTALS**

- .1 Submit copy of Hot Work Procedures and sample of Hot Work permit to Departmental Representative for review, within 14 calendar days after contract award.
- .2 Submit in accordance with section 01 33 00.

## **1.6 FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENT**

- .1 Implement and follow fire safety measures during Work. Comply with following:
  - .1 National Fire Code
  - .2 Fire Protection Standards FCC 301 and FCC 302.
  - .3 Federal and Provincial Occupational Health and Safety Acts and Regulations.
- .2 In event of conflict between any provisions of above authorities the most stringent provision will apply. Should a dispute arise in determining the most stringent

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requirement, Departmental Representative will advise on the course of action to be followed.

## **1.7 HOT WORK AUTHORIZATION**

- .1 Obtain Departmental Representative's written "Authorization to Proceed" before conducting any form of Hot Work on site.
- .2 To obtain authorization submit to Departmental Representative:
  - .1 Contractor's typewritten Hot Work Procedures to be followed on site as specified below.
  - .2 Description of the type and frequency of Hot Work required.
  - .3 Hot Work Permit as per instruction clause 1.9.
- .3 Upon review and confirmation that effective fire safety measures will be implemented and followed during performance of hot work, Departmental Representative will give authorization to proceed as follows:
  - .1 Issue one written "Authorization to Proceed" covering the entire for duration of work or;
  - .2 Subdivide the work into pre-determined, individual activities, each activity requiring a separately written authorization to proceed.
- .4 Requirement for individual authorization will be based on:
  - .1 Nature or phasing of work;
  - .2 Risk to Facility operations;
  - .3 Quantity of various trades needing to perform hot work on project or;
  - .4 Other situation deemed necessary by Departmental Representative to ensure fire safety on premises.
- .5 Do not perform Hot Work until receipt of Departmental Representative's written "Authorization to Proceed" for that portion of work.

## **1.8 HOT WORK PROCEDURES**

- .1 Develop and implement safety procedures and work practices to be followed during the performance of Hot Work.
- .2 Hot Work Procedures to include:
  - .1 Requirement to perform hazard assessment of site and immediate work area before hand for each hot work event in accordance with Safety Plan specified in Section 01 35 29.
  - .2 Use of a Hot Work Permit system with individually written permit issued by Contractor's Superintendent to specific worker or subcontractor granting permission to proceed with Hot Work.
  - .3 Permit required for each Hot Work event.

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- .4 Designation of a person on site as a Fire Safety Watcher responsible to conduct a fire safety watch for a minimum duration of 60 minutes immediately following the completion of Hot Work.
  - .5 Compliance with fire safety codes, standards and occupational health and safety regulations specified.
  - .3 Generic procedures, if used, must be edited and supplemented with pertinent information tailored to reflect specific project conditions. Label document as being the Hot Work procedures for this contract.
  - .4 Procedures shall clearly establish responsibilities of:
    - .1 Worker performing hot work,
    - .2 Person issuing the Hot Work Permit,
    - .3 Fire Safety Watcher,
    - .4 Subcontractor (s) and Contractor.
  - .5 Brief all workers and subcontractors on Hot Work Procedures and of Permit system. Stringently enforce compliance.
  - .6 Failure to comply with fire safety procedures may result in the issue of a Non-Compliance notification as specified in Section 01 35 29.

## **1.9 HOT WORK PERMIT**

- .1 Hot Work Permit to include the following:
  - .1 Project name and project number;
  - .2 Area where hot work will be performed;
  - .3 Date of issue;
  - .4 Description of hot work type needed;
  - .5 Special precautions to be followed, including type of fire extinguisher needed;
  - .6 Name and signature of permit issuer;
  - .7 Name of worker to which the permit is issued;
  - .8 Permit validity period not to exceed 8 hours. Indicate start time/date and termination time/date;
  - .9 Worker's signature with time/date of hot work completion;
  - .10 Stipulated time period of safety watch;
  - .11 Fire Safety Watcher's signature with time/date.
- .2 Permit to be typewritten form. Industry Standard forms shall only be used if all data specified above is included on form.
- .3 Each Hot Work Permit to be completed in full, signed and returned to Contractor's Superintendent for safe keeping on site.

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**1.10 FIRE PROTECTION AND ALARM SYSTEMS**

- .1 Fire protection and alarm systems shall not be:
  - .1 Obstructed.
  - .2 Shut-off, unless approved by Departmental Representative.
  - .3 Left inactive at the end of a working day or shift.
- .2 Do not use fire hydrants, standpipes and hose systems for purposes other than firefighting.
- .3 Costs incurred, from the fire department and Facility owner, resulting from negligently setting off false alarms will be charged to the Contractor in the form of financial progress payment reductions and holdback assessments against the Contract.

**1.11 DOCUMENTS ON SITE**

- .1 Keep Hot Work Permits and Hazard assessment documentation on site for duration of Work.
- .2 Upon request, make these available to Departmental Representative or to authorized safety Representative for inspection.

**END OF SECTION**