



MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD.

## FLEET MANAGEMENT BULLETIN

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### Standpipe Kit enhancements

**Background:** The Elkhart URFA Field Adjustable Pressure Reducing Valves have been installed on the standpipe systems in several new high-rise buildings throughout Montgomery County. A few examples are the Leggitt Building at 1315 Apple Avenue in Silver Spring, 11870 Grand Park Avenue, and 930 Rose Avenue in Rockville.

**Current State:** The Small Tools Section has procured a 2 ½" inline gauge, a tamper resistant hex driver and pressure adjusting rod for each front-line Engine and each "Bravo Engine".

**Action Needed:** Once the items are received:

1. Station Commanders should ensure that the 2 ½" inline gauge, the tamper resistant hex driver, and the pressure adjusting rod are placed in the Standpipe/ Officer's Bag on the engine.
2. The apparatus inventories should be updated to reflect the additions of the 2 ½" in line gauge, hex driver, and pressure adjusting rod.
3. Station Officers and Duty Crew Leaders should review the following link on the Elkhart URFA Field Adjustable Pressure Reducing Valves with the accompanying video.
  - a. <https://elkhartbrass.com/products/standpipe-valves/urfa-field-adjustable-pressure-reducing-valves/>
  - b. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2cHADpQqlg&t=5s>
4. The 2 ½" inline gauge should be incorporated into the standpipe pack deployment between the standpipe valve and the choice of reducer to the hose bundle.
5. It is recommended to place the 2 ½" inline gauge on all standpipe systems (URFA equipped or legacy system) as a benefit for knowledge of the pressure on the system at the outlet.

### End State:

If you have any questions, please contact the Small Tools Section via email [FRS.SmallTools@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:FRS.SmallTools@montgomerycountymd.gov) or (240)777-2217

