

## FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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US fire departments which have already made the switch to safer fluorine-free firefighting foams!

US Fire Departments	<u>Location</u>	<u>Year</u>
Ann Arbor Fire Department	Ann Arbor, Michigan	2019 <sup>1</sup>
Birmingham Fire Department	Birmingham, Alabama <sup>2</sup>	
Boston Fire Department	Boston, Massachusetts	2017 <sup>3</sup>
Brookfield Fire Department	Brookfield, Wisconsin	2015 4
Concord Township Fire Department	Elkhart, Indiana	2020 <sup>5</sup>
Council Bluffs Fire Department	Council Bluffs, Iowa <sup>6</sup>	
Durham Fire Department	Durham, New Hampshire <sup>7</sup>	
Elkhart Fire Department	Elkhart, Indiana	2020 <sup>8</sup>
Fond Du Lac Fire Department	Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin	2019 <sup>9</sup>
Johnston Island Fire Department	Johnston Island, Rhode Island 10	
Kenosha Fire Department	Kenosha, Wisconsin	2019 11
Kokomo Fire Department	Kokomo, Indiana	2020 12
Lee Fire & Rescue	Lee, New Hampshire 13	
Madison Fire Department	Madison, Wisconsin	2019 <sup>14</sup>
Madison Township Fire Department	Wyatt, Indiana	2020 <sup>15</sup>
Marinette Fire Department	Marinette, Wisconsin	2019 <sup>16</sup>
Minford Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Minford, Ohio 17	
Mishawaka Fire Department	Mishawaka, Indiana	2020 18
Muskogee Fire Department	Muskogee, Oklahoma	2021 <sup>19</sup>
Overland Park Fire Department	Overland Park, Kansas	2021 <sup>20</sup>
Peshtigo Fire Department	Town of Peshtigo, Wisconsin	2019 <sup>21</sup>
Ponca City Fire Department	Ponca, Oklahoma	2020 <sup>22</sup>
Reno Fire Department	Reno, Nevada	Pre 2019 <sup>23</sup>
St. Louis Fire Department	St. Louis, Missouri	Pre 2020 <sup>24</sup>
South Bend Fire Department	South Bend, Indiana	2020 <sup>25</sup>
Toms River Fire Department	Toms River, New Jersey <sup>26</sup>	
Truckee Fire Protection District	Nevada County, California	2021 <sup>27</sup>
Union Fire Department	Township of Union, New Jersey <sup>28</sup>	
Winter Haven Fire Department	Winter Haven, Florida	2020 <sup>29</sup>



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