

## Training & Inspections

Wayne Goodwin | Commissioner of Insurance Rick McIntyre | Assistant State Fire Marshal

August 31, 2016

Eric Hendrix Gaston County Fire Marshal Post Office Box 1578 Gastonia, NC 28053

Re: New Hope Fire District

Dear Eric Hendrix:

We wish to thank you, Chief Young, and others for the cooperation given to our representative during our recent survey. We have completed our evaluation of the fire insurance classification for New Hope Fire District and advise that the protection class is a Class 4/9E.

Formerly class applied 6/9E. Rates on dwellings (including those insured under Homeowners Policies) are established by the North Carolina Rate Bureau. We are advising them of the change. The rates will be effective on Sunday, January 1, 2017.

The purpose of our visit was to gather information needed to determine a fire insurance classification, which may be used in the calculations of property insurance premiums. This survey was not conducted for property loss prevention or life safety purposes, and no life safety or property loss prevention recommendations will be made.

Class 4 applies to properties with a fire flow of 3500 gpm. Class 9E applies to all other properties within the fire district outside of the 5 miles, but no more than 6 miles. The private and public protection at properties with larger needed fire flows are individually evaluated, and may vary from the 4/9E Classification.

We are attaching a copy of our Grading Sheet and the results of the hydrant flow tests witnessed during our survey.

If you have any questions concerning the new classification, or the resulting change in fire insurance rates, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Rick McIntyre

Senior Deputy Commissioner

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Enclosure

Cc: Matthew Young, Fire Chief



Cc: Charles S. Craig, Board of Directors President