

Training Bulletin

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4-6 Gas Meter Alarm and Notifications



The majority of companies are now equipped with a gas meter that boasts 4 to 6 sensors, including Lower Explosive Limits (LEL), Oxygen (O2) which reads in percentages, and Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S), Carbon Monoxide (CO), Photo Ionization Detector (PID), and Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) sensors that read in parts per million (PPM), with no conversion necessary. Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) can be produced from car and diesel emissions. In addition, Ladder 3 and the Rescue possess an ammonia meter (NH3) which reads in PPM.

Calibration of these meters is performed by our Tech Services Team on a scheduled basis every 30 days.

- **LEL** (Calibrated to Methane) reads in percentages and goes into **alarm/action** level at **10%** of the LEL.
- **CO** reads in PPM and goes into **alarm/action** level at **35ppm** of the IDLH.
- O2 reads in percentages and goes into alarm/action level at 19.5% (Low) and 23.5% (High)
- H2S reads in PPM and goes into alarm/action level at 10ppm.
- NO2 reads in PPM and goes into alarm/action level at 10ppm.
- PID reads in PPM and goes into alarm/action level at 100ppm.
- NH3 reads in PPM and goes into alarm/action level at 13ppm.

Please reference the appropriate SOGs for additional guidance.