

SUPERIOR TANKER SHUTTLE ACCREDITATION



SOUTH STORMONT FIRE & RESCUE

has received the Fire Underwriters Survey Rating for
Superior Tanker Shuttle Service.

What is the Fire Underwriters Survey Rating?

1. On October 16, 2010, the South Stormont Fire Service received the Superior Tanker Shuttle Accreditation.
2. The Superior Tanker Shuttle Service test administered by Insurers' Advisory Organization (IAO) staff forms part of the Fire Underwriters Survey Rating for the municipality.
3. Accreditation from the Fire Underwriters Survey certifies fire departments to provide hydrant protection grading in specified fire protection areas that are not protected by hydrants.
4. To achieve the accreditation the Fire Service must be able to:

- a) Within five (5) minutes of the first apparatus (pump) arriving on the fire scene (test site), be flowing a minimum of nine-hundred (900) litres/minute (200IGPM) of water; and
- b) Maintain the flow uninterrupted for two (2) hours.

The test site must be within eight (8) kilometers of the fire station and must be at least five (5) kilometers from the location where the tankers are reloaded.

Upgraded Rating

As a result of successfully completing the test, the Township of South Stormont was given the following Fire Underwriters Survey Rating:

- a) 'Superior Tanker Shuttle' listing for residential properties in the rural area within eight (8) kilometers by road of a fire station.

What Does The Accreditation Mean to Rural Residents?

Successfully completing the test indicates that the South Stormont Fire Service is able to effectively transport water to fire incident scenes throughout our community. For those residents within eight (8) kilometers of a station it means at least nine-hundred (900) liters/minute can be transported and applied to a fire. Nine-hundred (900) liters/minute is equivalent to the flow of two (2) forty-five (45 mm) attack hose lines - in many instances what is required to effectively bring a typical house fire under control.

Many insurance companies recognize the Superior Tanker Shuttle. Those rural residents with homes within eight (8) kilometers of a fire station, by road, of a fire station may receive a reduction in insurance premiums. Rural residents should contact their insurance agent and ask if they qualify for a rate reduction.

Regardless of the potential impact on insurance rates, the Superior Tanker Shuttle means the South Stormont Fire Service has demonstrated an ability to transport water to rural fire scenes to protect our citizens.

How Far Are You from A Fire Station?

The map attached illustrates the districts of South Stormont Fire Stations. If you are near the boundary and uncertain whether you would be within eight (8) kilometers by road, send your rural address to the Fire Service and we will provide an accurate distance from the station that would normally respond to your location. E-mail your request to info@southstormont.ca or call 613-534-8889, during normal business hours. In most cases the distance will be provided within two (2) business days.