

Institutional and Industrial Fire Departments

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What schools, prisons, hospitals, factories, and other institutions in the state have formed fire departments? Based on my ever-expanding [former FD database](#), here are some recent findings. There are probably many others.

Schools:

Guilford College (Greensboro) / 1946 to 2001
St. Augustine's School (Raleigh) / circa 1900s
Western Carolina University (Cullowhee) / by 1972 until ?

Prisons:

Caladonia Prison Farm (Tillery) / By 1982 until ?
McCain Prison Hospital (Aberdeen) / By 1982 until ?

Hospitals:

Broughton Hospital (Morganton) / 1900s until 1970s
Cherry Hospital (Goldsboro) / by 1924 until ?
Mountain Sanatorium (Fletcher) / by 1972 until ?
Oteen Veterans Hospital (Asheville) / by 1922 until 1970s

Manufactories:

Beacon Mills (Buncombe County)
Cannon Mills (Kannapolis)
Champion Paper (Canton) / by 1972 until ?
Cross Cotton Mills (Marion) / ? until 1994
E. I. Dupont (Brevard) / by 1972 until ?
Enka (Buncombe County) / 1926 until 1987
Fieldcrest-Cannon (Kannapolis) / circa 1980s
Hanes Mill (Winston-Salem) / by 1955 until ?
Mead Corporation (Sylva) / by 1972 until ?
Olin-Mathieson (Brevard) / by 1972 until ?
Rowan Mills (Salisbury) / by 1958 until after 1972
Spencer Shops (Spencer) / by 1913 until after 1972

Military facilities:

Camp Butner (Butner) / 1940s
Camp Lejeune (Jacksonville)
Camp Mackall (Southern Pines) / 1940s?
Cherry Point Air Station (Havelock)
Elizabeth Coast Guard Air Station (Weeksville)
Fort Bragg (Fayetteville)
Laurinburg-Maxton Air Base (Laurinburg) / until 1970s?
New River Air Station (Jacksonville)
Pope Air Force Base (Fayetteville)
Seymour Johnson Air Force Base (Goldsboro)
Simmons Army Airfield (Fayetteville)
Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal (Southport)

Other:

Fontana Dam (Graham County) / 1940s until 1970s?
Harris Nuclear Power Plant (New Hill)
Nazareth Orphan Home (Rowan County) / by 1951 until ?

IBM at RTP had their on fire apparatus back in the 70s. It was a Ford C series pumper, possibly an ALF.

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DSM Pharmaceuticals (started as Bouroughs Wellcome-GSK-Catalytica) in Greenville (Pitt County) has a department that answers all 1st alarms and medical 1st responder during the buisness hours. Off hours local FDs respond with them. Equipment includes a 1980s Pierce/Ford C Engine, HazMat Truck, 1st Responder/Command Truck, Equipment Truck, and Foam Trailer. It use to have a Aircraft crash vehicle that was used for foam untill the foam trailer was aquired.

PCS Phosphates (started as Texas Gulf) in Aurora (Beaufort County) has a very active department that includes fire suppression, boat(s), and an ambulance. Aurora Rescue usually transports but PCS can if needed too.

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