

Tactical Fire Fighting Truck Up Close

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Our friends at Western Wake share these shots from last week, when this eight-wheel, multi-ton monster came a-callin' at their station on District Drive. That's one of two Oshkosh/Pierce Tactical Fire Fighting Trucks that the National Guard has here. It's built on an Oshkosh HEMTT chassis. Some specs, from a [brochure on the official site](#): 210-inch wheelbase, all-wheel drive, 445-HP engine, 400-mile cruising range, 48-inch fording clearance, six-person capacity, five with SCBA, 1,000-gallon tank, 2,000-feet of hose, 1,000-GPM pump, roof and bumper remote-controlled turrets, numerous compartments and many tools, including hydraulic rescue equipment. (If that description looks familiar, it's 'cause it's [lifted from this prior posting](#).) Click to enlarge:





I want one for the trek home on I40 each day. Let's see someone try to cut me off while I am driving one of these babies. Though I would hate to see the fuel bill for this bad boy :)

Marshall Sherard KE4ZNR ([Email](#)) ([Web Site](#)) - 03/01/11 - 09:31

I thought my hearse was bad enough at 6mpg, but it wouldn't surprise me if mileage on this thing is measured in gpm

Paul - 03/01/11 - 09:46

If you can afford one it doesn't matter what the mileage is. And for Raleigh driving, I want one of these-

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/M2_Bradley.

DJ - 03/01/11 - 12:42

Sweet! I'm betting you guys had a good time playing with that thing. On another note, District Dr. looks really weird with pavement through the field. Guess I need to get down that way more often.

Barrett - 03/01/11 - 12:59

Bad ride. No matter what the terrain or incident this truck would work. I like the extrication tools in the back.

911 - 03/01/11 - 14:11

I want one!!!

AB - 03/01/11 - 14:36

yes this was a fun piece of equipment to paw over. And the mechanics were great to work with as they gave us all access. We were trying to help them trouble shoot some issues with the pump and while they had been to the school to work on the chassis... they had no clue about the pump. What a neat piece of engineering!

shevais - 03/01/11 - 16:15

Very sweet ride...saw one at the NJ Fireman's Convention last year. Surprised they didn't paint the ground ladders "Army green"!

Silver - 03/01/11 - 17:53

Wont be long...the NFPA will soon be legislating this too.

Buckwheat - 03/02/11 - 18:44

NFPA = Not For Practical Application, right?

Silver - 03/02/11 - 19:53

What's the historical perspective of NFPA bashing? Is it a relatively recent thing?

I suspect their efforts over time have greatly improved the safety and effectiveness of firefighters across the land. But I welcome contrary perspectives.

Legeros - 03/02/11 - 20:03

National Fire Protection Accountants

DJ - 03/02/11 - 20:08

Mikey, there was a good discussion on firehouse.com about this, i'll try to find it. When there's reps from all turnout vendors/ suppliers on the committee to make recommendations for turnout specs under NFPA 1971, how can there not be a conflict of interest?

Silver - 03/02/11 - 20:53

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