

**Boone Aerialscope and a Reader Challenge**

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Reader Peter Brock shares this shot of Boone's Aerialscope, photographed yesterday behind Station 2. (Same is a reserve ladder these days, correct?) Next, a challenge for readers: how many Mack CF model Aerialscopes have served in North Carolina? This truck's a 1986 model with a 95-foot boom, which is somewhat rare outside New York City. Raleigh's well-known 1977 model was a 75-footer. For extra credit, which 'scopes in our state previously served elsewhere? For extra extra credit, the bulldogs on the front of the trucks were either gold or silver. What's the difference? Click to enlarge:



*Peter Brock photo*

It was still in service a year ago.

The color dog is the type of motor it had I think. Or it was a Maxim (?)

Avery Co had one, Newell and Gastonia. that's all 5. Got pics of all.

**lee** - 05/14/13 - 20:26

The color of the bulldog refers to whether the vehicle was all-Mack or not. Those with components from Mack alone bore golden bulldogs, if I recall correctly, while the chrome dog meant the truck had components from other manufacturers.

**mike** ([Web Site](#)) - 05/14/13 - 20:26

Here's a 1989 Mack 95' serving in Randolph County. It was purchased a few years ago, I believe from somewhere in Virginia.

<http://eastsidefiredept.org/files/Tower2..>

**Lt. Lemon** ([Email](#)) - 05/14/13 - 20:46

I cant swear that the bulldog color necessarily was tied to the engine or drivetrain components only....I know Six Forks true "Raleigh" Mack had a gold bulldog and had the 285HP Maxidyne engine....however New Hope's and Six Forks other Macks were Mack Maxidyne drivetrains but had EEI built bodies....seems like they had chrome plated ones...so may actually mean that Mack had to build the COMPLETE truck, body and all to get a Gold one...

**mhodgson** ([Email](#)) - 05/14/13 - 21:08

Mike you are correct on the color of the bulldog, all Mack trucks have that distinction. If the motor and running gear (i.e. tranmission and rear

end) are all made by Mack they will have a gold dog. If the dog is silver any one or up to all three components could be from an outside vendor.

**2406** - 05/15/13 - 01:32

does anyone have good profile pics of the Boone rig and a full on front and rear photo. I would like to kitbash it. I have a blank Code 3 Mack CF Aerialscope and make my own decals but would need good photos to make good decals. I can be reached at [karlpschatz@comcast.net](mailto:karlpschatz@comcast.net) thanks

**karl schatz** ([Email](#)) - 06/19/13 - 02:08

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