



Georgetown City Fire Department

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(Georgetown) – Making sure there is adequate water for firefighting operations is the reason Georgetown City Firefighters will be in the street checking hydrants for the next several weeks. Fire officials announced today their annual fall hydrant inspection program will begin Monday November 1st and run up to Thanksgiving.

“Firefighters will be checking pressures, greasing fittings and painting fire hydrants to make sure our distribution system continues to be in top shape.” Says Fire Chief Joey Tanner. “Twice a year we conduct routine maintenance to make sure the city is adequately protected. In the fall program, we don’t open the hydrants to flow water so there shouldn’t be any discoloration of the water like it is in the spring time.”

Hydrant testing will begin November 1st and continue until completed during the week of Thanksgiving. Testing will occur between 9 AM and 5 PM. Officials do not anticipate any water discoloration issues that sometimes occur when fire hydrants are opened to full flows.



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“The most important thing citizens can do is to watch out for fire fighters while they are doing hydrant maintenance,” said Chief Tanner. “They will have reflective vests and the truck’s lights will be going, so be careful as you approach a crew of firefighters on the street.”

The fire department’s maintenance program is conducted with the assistance of the Water Utilities department. For information about the testing and maintenance program, please call the department at 545-4200.



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