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Rea Valley Receives New ISO Rating

ISO is a leading source of information about property/casualty insurance risk. ISO evaluates fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. A community's investment in fire mitigation is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses. So insurance companies use ISO ratings information to help establish fair premiums for fire insurance — generally offering lower premiums in communities with better protection.

ISO analyzes the relevant data using our Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS). ISO then assign a Public Protection Classification from 1 to 10. Class 1 generally represents superior property fire protection, and Class 10 represent the lowest level of fire protection. All aspects of fire suppression are evaluation including fire alarm and communications systems (10%), fire department personnel, training, and equipment (50%), and water supply (40%).

Many communities use the ISO rating as a benchmark for measuring the effectiveness of their fire-protection services. The PPC program is also a tool that helps communities plan for, budget, and justify improvements.

Effective January 1, 2017, Areas within 5 miles of either fire station have received an ISO rating of Six (6). Rea Valley in the past had a ISO rating of Nine (9). If your insurer uses the ISO (PPC) rating this should dramatically reduce your insurance premium. You should contact your insurance carrier immediately to determine if you premiums will be affected.

I would like to thank the volunteer fire fighters for the hundreds of man/woman hours that were spent on reducing our ISO rating. This clearly shows to the entire Rea Valley Community that we have made tremendous improvements to our fire fighting capabilities. New fire engines, new tankers, new equipment, new portable hydrant, new digital radio systems, and most of all the most dedicated and well trained fire fighters in Marion County. Thank you.

For more information on ISO go to the About page on the Rea Valley web site under Policies & Guidelines.