



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE  
DRIVER/OPERATOR TRAINING PROGRAM**

## Practical Application Guide Sheet

### Brush Truck: Pump Troubleshooting

**Candidate Performance Competency:** The driver candidate will demonstrate the ability to assess and potentially correct three simulated pump failure situations.

Task	Value	Score
<b>Pump Motor Will Not Start</b>		
1. Verify electrical switches are in proper position and power is reaching the starter	9	
2. Verify fuel level and type in pump fuel tank	8	
3. Determine that the fuel pump and/or primer is functioning	8	
4. Cycle the choke to ensure proper function	8	
5. Remove the spark plugs and check for fouling and proper gap	8	
<b>Pump Motor Starts, but Will Not Remain Running</b>		
1. Verify the position of any override switches	8	
2. Check valve configuration; tank-to-pump is open and discharges are closed	8	
3. Verify fuel is reaching the motor; fuel filter, fuel level	9	
4. Verify proper air/fuel mix; choke disengaged, air filter clear	9	
<b>Pump Motor Starts, but Water Pressure Fails to Build</b>		
1. Check valve configuration; tank-to-pump open, discharges are closed, tank fill is closed	9	
2. Check strainer for blockage	8	
3. Verify the pressure gauge is functioning	8	
<b>Total Points</b>	100	

\_\_\_\_\_ **PASS**      \_\_\_\_\_ **FAIL – Overall Points (<70%)**

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**Evaluator Name**

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