

MOTORIZED FIRE APPARATUS DATABASE of CONNECTICUT

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In some cases, vehicles were modified during their years in service. Due to space limitations, only one photo is displayed, but the chronology of assignments and modifications are listed.

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1910
Webb Co., The

500 gpm
chem

Meriden Fire Dept.

1910-unk Meriden Fire Dept.
1928 Reserve as of
unk Removed from service

1913-1932
1932-1948

Meriden Fire Dept.
Wallingford Fire Dept.

Eng 3

1913
American
LaFrance

no pump
no tank

Meriden Fire Dept.

Truck 1



1922 Packard replaced this but maybe not in 1922. Definitely by 1928.
From Underwriters tests in 1928, the truck failed every test and the operators didn't know how to pump the truck.

Reg #325 ship 3-5-1913 Meriden is 1st fully motorized dept. in state.
Annual Report of 1932 says a Seagrave CS was sold to Wallingford for \$908. I know Seagrave is incorrect.



1913
American
LaFrance

no pump
chem

Meriden Fire Dept.

1913-1936? Meriden Fire Dept.

Hose 2

Reg #324 ship 5-14-1913 In service 5-22-13
p.165



1913
American
LaFrance

no pump
chem

Meriden Fire Dept.

1913-unk Meriden Fire Dept.
1928 In service as of

Hose 1

Reg #323 ship 9-5-1913. Report says in commission on 5-29-13



1913
Pope Mfg. Co.

no pump
chem

Meriden Fire Dept.

1913-unk Meriden Fire Dept.

Hose 4

In service 5-9-1913
p 164 and photo

1922
Dept. Built

Packard Motor
Car Co.

750 gpm

photo needed

dept has no photo

photo needed

1922-1936 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 3

HC 12-23-1922.
Not sure if put in service new in 1922.

**1929
American
LaFrance**

photo needed

750 gpm
80 gal tank

photo needed

1929-1940? Meriden Fire Dept.
1940?-unk Reassigned

Eng 1
Eng 3

Reg #7103 ship 12-31-1929 212 PWT

**1931
American
LaFrance**



750 gpm
80 gal tank

David Gagel Collection

1931-1936 Meriden Fire Dept.
1936-1955 Reassigned
as of 2017 Preserved - Private - David Gagel

Eng 2
Eng 3

Reg #7293 ship 7-2-1931 212 PWT
7-1952 HC article tells of aging truck that needs replacement.

**1932
American
LaFrance**

photo needed

no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 75'
ALF

photo needed

1932-1956 Meriden Fire Dept.
as of 1995 Preserved - Private - Fred Pommer

Truck 1

Reg #7456 ship 1932
aerial #C-581
Sold to Fred Pommer, Waterbury, CT

**1936
Maxim Motor Co.**



600 gpm
100 gal tank

unknown photographer

1936-1966? Meriden Fire Dept.
as of 2017 Preserved - Private - Ed Hanlon

Eng 4

Model 32C6
#822

**1937
Maxim Motor Co.**

photo needed

600 gpm
100 gal tank

photo needed

1937-1955 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 1

Model 32C6

**1938
Maxim Motor Co.**



GMC

booster
no tank

South Meriden Fire Dept.

truck on right
1938-1941 Meriden Fire Dept.
1941 South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden

Eng 2 HW



**1930
Maxim Motor Co.**

1000 gpm, then

At Meriden after pump was unknown photographer

1930-1942 Chaffinch Is. (Ingals) Fire Dept.
1942-1946 Meriden Fire Dept.
1946-1953 North Farms Fire Dept., Wallingford

History comes from HC article about CT Fire Museum in E Windsor, the present owner. The pump was removed and put into a 1936 Maxim and this truck was converted to a hose wagon. Both went to Meriden. Also to Drakeville 1953-1967.



**1936
Maxim Motor Co.**

1000 gpm
200 gal tank

as Ingals truck, Chaffinch Is. Horace B.Clark, photographer

1936-1942 Chaffinch Is. (Ingals) Fire Dept.
1942-1978 Meriden Fire Dept. Eng 2
1981 Destroyed in fire, Granby, CT

Meriden bought 2 Maxims in 1942 from Ingals...this one and a 1930 that had been converted to a hose wagon after the pump was taken out of it and put into this truck.

photo needed

**1947
Maxim Motor Co.
Model 37**

booster
150 gal tank

photo needed

1947-1975? Meriden Fire Dept.
1955 Reserve as of

Truck 2

Model 37-L
UR 7-1955 lists this as a reserve.
Unknown history before reserve.



**1955
American
LaFrance 700
Series**

750 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1955-1971 Meriden Fire Dept. Eng 3
1978 Out of state - Derby Line, VT

Reg #L-5167 ship 1-10-1955 775-PJO
Repowered to diesel

photo needed

**1955
American
LaFrance 700
Series**

750 gpm
500 gal tank

photo needed

1955-1971 Meriden Fire Dept.
1971-1986 Reserve

Eng 1
Spare 3

Reg #L-5186 ship 2-7-1955 775-PJO



**1956
American
LaFrance 700
Series**

no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 85'
ALF

Meriden Fire Dept.

1956-1975 Meriden Fire Dept. Truck 1
1975-1986? Modified - added ALF 1000 tractor
unk Out of state - Derby Line, VT

Reg #N-151 ship 9-27-1956 7-85-TKO.
Retractor w/1975 ALF Century. Was in service as of 1986 as Truck 2.

**1959
American
LaFrance 800
Series**

photo needed

1000 gpm
500 gal tank

photo needed

1959 Meriden Fire Dept.
1979 Reserve
unk Reassigned

Eng 5
Spare 5
Eng 2

#N-821 K-82365 Not sure about this serial - not on ALF list (Past the end)
May also have been E2 for a time. Was orig assigned to E5 but not used there until E5 was reorg
ARN 3-1986 says its a 900 series.

**1966
Mack Trucks C
Series**



1000 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1966-1981 Meriden Fire Dept.
1981 Reserve

Eng 4
Eng 2, 103, 104

Del. 5-25-1966

**1969
American
LaFrance 900
Series**

photo needed

1000 gpm
500 gal tank

photo needed

1969-1984 Meriden Fire Dept.
1984-1988 Modified by Ranger - cab and body
1988 Reserve

Eng 2
E-104

Reg #12-1-1706

**1971
American
LaFrance 1000
Series**



no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 100'
ALF

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1971-1985 Meriden Fire Dept.
1985 Modified by Ranger - tractor, compts

Truck 1

Reg #C-1444-3166
Or a '72. Bakunis says so as does ARN.
Modified to 1985 Ranger tractor

**1971
American
LaFrance 1000
Series**



1250 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1971-1985 Meriden Fire Dept.
1985-2016 Modified by Ranger - cab and body

Eng 1

Reg #12-1-2907

**1975
American
LaFrance 1000
Series**

photo needed

no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 85'
ALF

photo needed

1956-1975 Meriden Fire Dept.
1975-1986? Modified - added ALF 1000 tractor
unk Out of state - Derby Line, VT

Truck 1
Truck 2

Reg #N-151 ship 9-27-1956 7-85-TKO.
Retractor w/1975 ALF Century. Was in service as of 1986 as Truck 2 and was a front-line piece.



**1978
Mack Trucks CF
Series**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1978-1998 Meriden Fire Dept.
1995 Reserve

Eng 3
Eng 105



**1979
American
LaFrance Century
Series**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

lime green

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1979-1996 Meriden Fire Dept.
1996 Reserve

Eng 5
Eng 105

Preserved - Private

Was lime green truck, then repainted



**1981
Hahn Motors**

1000 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1981-1998 Meriden Fire Dept.
1998-unk Reserve
as of 2013 Preserved - Private - Ron Butz

Eng 4
Eng 104

**1984
Ranger Div.-
American Modular**

**American
LaFrance 900**

1000 gpm
500 gal tank

photo needed

photo needed

1969-1984 Meriden Fire Dept.
1984-1988 Modified by Ranger - cab and body
1988 Reserve

Eng 2
E-104

Reg #1



**1985
Ranger Div.-
American Modular**

ALF chassis

no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 100'
ALF

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1971-1985 Meriden Fire Dept.
1985-1988 Modified by Ranger - tractor, compts
1988-1999 Reserve

Modified from 1971 ALF 1000 Series.

Truck 1



**1985
Ranger Div.-
American Modular**

1250 gpm
500 gal tank

Mark Redman, photographer

1971-1985 Meriden Fire Dept.
1985-2016 Modified by Ranger - cab and body
2016 Out of state - McCloud, OK

Eng 1

Reg #12-1-2907



**1988
Simon LTI**

Simon-Duplex

1500 gpm
100 gal tank
rear-mount - 100'
LTI

Meriden Fire Dept.

1988-1999 Meriden Fire Dept.
1999-2013 Reserve

Truck 1
Truck 101



**1988
Ranger Div.-
American Modular**

**Pemfab Chassis
Div.**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1988-2001 Meriden Fire Dept.
2001-2013 Reserve

Eng 2
Eng 105

Foam turret
Bakunis says '87



**1989
Quality Mfg. Co.**

Spartan

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Meriden Fire Dept.

1989-2001 Meriden Fire Dept.
2001 Reserve

Eng 1
Eng 101



**1995
E-One, Inc.
Cyclone**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Mike Bakunis, photographer

1995-2010 Meriden Fire Dept.
2010 Reserve

Eng 3
Eng 104



**1996
E-One, Inc.
Cyclone**

1500 gpm
750 gal tank

Meriden Fire Dept.

1996-2013 Meriden Fire Dept.
2013-2017 Reserve

Eng 5

Has American Eagle Mfg logo on cab.
Retired, but I dont have replacement yet.



**1998
E-One, Inc.
Cyclone II**

1250 gpm
500 gal tank

Michael Quinn, photographer

1998 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 4



**1999
E-One, Inc.
Cyclone II**

no pump
no tank
rear-mount - 100'
E-One

Brian Dillon, photographer

1999-2013 Meriden Fire Dept.
2013 Reserve

Truck 1
Truck 101



**2001
E-One, Inc.**

Spartan

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Brian Dillon, photographer

2001 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 2



**2001
E-One, Inc.
Cyclone II**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Michael Quinn, photographer

2001- Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 1



**2006
Pierce Mfg. Inc.**

Freightliner M2

no pump
no tank

Zack Bowden, photographer

2006 Meriden Fire Dept.

Tac Unit 2



**2007
Mickey**

Freightliner

no pump
no tank

Brian Dillon, photographer

2007- Meriden Fire Dept.

Tac Unit 1



**2010
Seagrave Corp.
Marauder II**

1250 gpm
500 gal tank

Brian Dillon, photographer

2010 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 3



**1989
Ranger Div.-
American Modular**

**Ottawa Truck
Corp.**

1500 gpm
500 gal tank

Meriden Fire Dept.

1989-2003 Middletown Fire Dept.
2003-2013 Connecticut Valley Hospital,
2013-2017 Meriden Fire Dept.

*Eng 2 Midltnw
Eng 1
Eng 105 Resv*



**2013
Seagrave Corp.
Marauder II**

no pump
no tank
tractor-drawn - 100'
Seagrave

Scott Leslie, photographer

2013 Meriden Fire Dept.

Truck 1

check the serial number



**2008
Crimson Fire**

Spartan

1250 midship
750 gal tank

Michael Quinn, photographer

2008 S Kingstown, RI FD
2015 Meriden Fire Dept.

*Eng 18 - SKFD
Eng 5*



**1997
Pierce Mfg. Inc.
Saber**

1250 gpm
750 gal tank

Michael Quinn, photographer

1997-2017 Farmington Fire Dept.
2017- Meriden Fire Dept.

*Eng 4
Eng 7 Resv*



**1997
Pierce Mfg. Inc.
Saber**

1250 gpm
750 gal tank

Michael Quinn, photographer

1997-2017 Farmington Fire Dept.
2017- Meriden Fire Dept.

*Eng 6
Eng 8 Resv*

**1985
Dept. Built**

Chevrolet

300 skid-mount
300 gal tank

photo needed

photo needed

1985 U.S. Military/Gov't
unk Meriden Fire Dept.