



ISO (Insurance Services Office) is a company that measures the effectiveness of public fire protection for structures in 47,000 fire districts across the country. The fire department is given a Public Protection Classification (PPC) number according to how they score on selected criteria. This includes needed fire flows, water supply, communications/dispatching, equipment, staffing, training, and geographic distribution of fire companies. Tinley Park received the highest score – a “1” on a scale of 1-10.

This accomplishment was made possible through a tremendous team effort, requiring input from all our fire department divisions (Operations, Training, Fleet/Facilities, Personnel, Fire Prevention, and Administrative teams), Tinley Park’s 911 Center, Public Works Water Department, and GIS personnel. Special thanks to Deputy Chief Stephen Klotz who led the evaluation process with the assistance of Deputy Chief Daniel Riordan on the Fire Prevention side. Our gratitude also goes to Lisa Kortum from the 911 Center; Kevin Workowski, John Urbanski and Tom Kopanski from Public Works; and Kyle Malmberg from GIS – who were all key in the evaluation process.

IL State Fire Marshal Matt Perez was present as representatives from ISO turned over the report summary declaring the department’s #1 score. Chief Reeder stated “This is a department built on our rich history and focusing on our bright future. We honor those who have walked before us, those who stand beside us today, and those who will follow in our footsteps. Today we work to make us Better Faster Safer and Smarter. This is accomplished by the support of our community and Village Board. Now that we have crossed the finish line with our ISO Class 1 designation, we immediately begin a new race to maintain this rating and continually search for ways to improve every facet of our operation.”

To honor the event, a special challenge coin was presented to each active department member, elected officials, and those who contributed to make this achievement event possible.

