

# 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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1915  
Dept. Built

Peerless Motor  
Car Co.

no pump chem

South Meriden Fire Dept.

1915-1921 South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden  
1921 Destroyed in station fire

1923  
Peter Pirsch &  
Sons

Federal

no pump no tank

photo needed

dept has no photo

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1923-unk South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden

\$3700



1931  
Ahrens-Fox Fire  
Engine Corp.

Schacht

booster

John Floyd II Collection

1931 East Greenwich, RI FD  
1965-unk South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden  
as of 2016 Preserved - Department - S Meriden

Del to Greenwich, RI 7-23-1931  
not sure if it was ever active.  
Local doctor purchased it for dept?



1938  
Maxim Motor Co.

GMC

booster no tank

truck on right

South Meriden Fire Dept.

1938-1941 Meriden Fire Dept.

Eng 2

1941-1955? South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden

Date acquired based on SMFD history.



1941  
Maxim Motor Co.

International D  
Series

500 gpm 300 gal

SOUTH MERIDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT—One of the most alert volunteer outfits in the state, the South Meriden fire department is equipped with such modern facilities as the truck shown above. R-6-16-56

October 1954 South Meriden Fire Dept.

1941-1954 Allingtown Fire Dept., West Haven Emergency 3

1952? Converted to ambulance/rescue

1954-unk South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden Eng 12

Converted in either 1950 or 1952 by Allingtown (see photo caption). South Meriden got it in 1954 based on photo caption at very top (not written-in date.) Rebuilt with Dodge cab, chassis in 1966.



1969  
American  
LaFrance 900  
Series

1000 gpm 500 gal

South Meriden Fire Dept.

1969-2001? South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden Eng 11

1985 Refurbished by JC Moore, Freedomia,

ARN says '71.

**1972**  
**Reading**


**Dodge**

*photo needed*

no pump    no tank

**1972-1988**    *photo needed*    **Truck 14**  
*South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*  
**1988**    *City of Meriden*

**1979**  
**E-One, Inc.**




**GMC**

1000 gpm    500 gal

*truck on left*    *South Meriden Fire Dept.*  
**1979-1996**    *South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*    **Eng 12**

Could also have been replaced in 2001



**1979**  
**E-One, Inc.**

**GMC**

1000 gpm    500 gal

*truck on right*    *South Meriden Fire Dept.*  
**1979-2001**    *South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*    **Eng 16**

Could have also been replaced in 1996



**1988**  
**E-One, Inc.**

**GMC**

no pump    no tank

*Mike Bakunis, photographer*  
**1988-2001**    *South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*    **Rescue 14**

*photo needed*

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

1500 gpm    750 gal

**1996-**    *photo needed*    **Eng 10**  
*South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*

*photo needed*

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

1500 gpm    1000 gal

**2001-**    *photo needed*    **Eng 11**  
*South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden*

2001

**Ford**

*photo needed*

no pump    no tank

**2001-**

South Meriden Fire Dept., Meriden

*photo needed*

Rescue 14