21 Breakthrough Firefighting Technologies for 2025 (Free Procurement Checklist)

Advanced Firefighting Drones

1. Tethered Firefighting Drones

Drones like the LT-UAVFW system can carry 100kg payloads (water/equipment) and reach heights of 100m with ultra-light hoses. Ideal for high-rise fires.

<u>LT-UAVFW System</u>

2. Search/Rescue Drones with Thermal Imaging

Equipped with FLIR Zenmuse XT2 cameras and AI human detection to locate victims through smoke.

- S FLIR Zenmuse XT2
- Scolorado Springs Drone Program

3. Drone Docking Stations

Automated systems like FlytBase enable rapid deployment and fleet management.

S FlytBase Management System

4. Prop-Wash Drones

Use downward wind force to disperse toxic fumes and create survivable air pockets for victims.

Hernando County Fire Rescue

Smart Firefighting Apparatus

5. Telescopic Fire Trucks

Pierce Enforcer Ascendant 100' aerial ladders with 75m+ reach and integrated drone launch systems.

Pierce Manufacturing

6. Collision Avoidance Mitigation Systems (CAMS)

Al-powered radar systems to prevent vehicle accidents during emergency responses.

S Firehouse Tech Trends

7. Hybrid/Electric Pumpers

Pierce Volterra[™] trucks with 2,000 GPM capacity and silent operation modes.

Pierce Volterra

8. Smart Nozzles

Push-button water activation to reduce radio reliance during chaotic fireground operations.

Hernando County Smart Nozzles

AI & Data-Driven Systems

9. AI-Powered CAD-to-CAD Dispatch

Real-time coordination for mutual aid responses using AI analysis.

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10. Predictive Fire Spread Software

Integrates weather/GIS data to forecast fire behavior (e.g., Lockheed Martin's digital fire models).

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11. Digital Twins for Buildings

3D models for pre-incident planning and real-time fire spread simulation.

Technavio Fire Protection Market

12. NERIS (National Emergency Response Information System)

Replaces NFIRS with geospatial data and machine learning for risk reduction.

S US Fire Administration NERIS

Firefighter Wearables & PPE

12. C-THRU AR Helmets

Augmented reality heads-up displays with thermal imaging and navigation aids.

14. Biometric Trackers (e.g., WHOOP Bands)

Monitor heart rate, heat stress, and fatigue in real-time.

S Firehouse Wearable Tech

15. PFAS-Free Turnout Gear

Compliant with updated OSHA/NFP standards to reduce carcinogen exposure.

Communication & Command Tools

16.5G Rugged Tablets

Panasonic TOUGHBOOK devices with glove-touch screens for incident tracking.

Solution Tablet Command Software

17. Satellite-to-Cell Comms

Ensures connectivity in rural/urban dead zones (e.g., Starlink integration).

Colorado Springs Starlink Drones

Training & Simulation

18. XR (AR/VR) Platforms

High-rise and wildfire scenario training with AI-driven analytics.

S Firehouse VR Training

19. AI Training Analytics

Tracks skill retention and identifies gaps in firefighter performance.

S Technavio Al in Fire Safety

Infrastructure Upgrades

20. IoT Sensor Networks

Early smoke/heat detection with wireless connectivity for older buildings.

Impact Fire IoT Detection

21. Automated Secure Alarm Protocol (ASAP)

Direct alarm-to-PSAP alerts to reduce response times.

Technavio ASAP Systems