



**KEY**

- PROTECTED FIRE ZONE: Shown in Green.
- NOTE—For description of fire protection, etc., see other side.
- Elevations range from 170 to 482 feet above mean sea level.
- Water mains 8 inches and larger in diameter
- Water mains 6 inches in diameter
- Water mains 4 inches in diameter
- Fire hydrants shown thus
- Gate valves shown thus
- Fire house shown thus
- Fire apparatus designated by symbols thus:
- (Y) Pumping engine and hose car
- ⊙ Tractorized

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**Upper Saddle River Borough  
Bergen County, New Jersey**

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## UPPER SADDLE RIVER BOROUGH, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.

Population — 1940 Census — 510.

**IN GENERAL:** Located along the Saddle River south of the New York State boundary line. It is a scattered residential and farming community with no manufacturing. Area about 5 square miles. Elevations range from 170 to 482 feet above sea level. Through roads are macadam in good condition; others gravel in fair to poor condition. There are no grade crossings, but several steep grades might delay response of fire apparatus.

**WATER SUPPLY:** No public water supply system in the borough. Water for fire fighting purposes is available at several locations along the Saddle River and at numerous streams and ponds where fire department pumping engines can take suction.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** A volunteer organization of one company not controlled by the borough. Apparatus and equipment is owned by the company. The use of the building is donated by the owner. Total active membership of 34 including a chief, 1 assistant chief, and 2 lieutenants, of whom a minimum of 10 are available at all times. Officers are elected annually by the company. An agreement exists whereby the fire department of the borough of Saddle River responds to all fire alarms except brush fires. The borough of Upper Saddle River appropriates \$500 annually for this service. **Company:** Located on West Saddle River Road south of Parker Place as shown on map. Building is a 1½-story private frame garage, dirt floor. No heat, lights or telephone. Doors are not locked. **Equipment:** One 1943 U.S.A. - G.M.C. - Darley hose and booster car carrying a small high pressure booster pump, one 350-gallon booster tank, 400 feet of booster hose, 350 feet of 1½-inch hose, 800 feet of 2½-inch hose, 3 short ladders, and fair minor equipment. One 1941 O.C.D. - Chrysler - Hale 500-g.p.m. trailer unit carrying fittings and some minor equipment. **Hose:** All 2½-inch and 1½-inch hose is C.R.L. with National Standard screw couplings. There is

no reserve hose and no adequate drying facilities are provided. Total supply of 800 feet is less than 5 years old. It is repacked wet with no tests. **Operations:** Department is governed by company by-laws. The chief officers have full control of apparatus and men at fires and drills. Motors are started at least weekly, and at least 8 men are trained to act as drivers and operators. **Drills and Training:** Company drills consisting of pump operation and hose and ladder work are held at least twice a month under the direction of the chief officers. **Fire Methods:** Hand extinguishers, booster and 1½-inch lines are used on incipient fires supported with engine streams with shut-off nozzles where water supply is available. Gas masks and salvage covers are not provided. **Response to Alarms:** The company responds to all borough alarms and responds to other nearby communities on call. Regular response from Saddle River Borough includes a 750-g.p.m. Ahrens-Fox triple combination pumping engine and a Hahn Diamond "T" hose car with a 200-g.p.m. booster pump. Additional aid may be secured from Allendale, Ho-Ho-Kus, Ramsey, and Waldwick. **Building Inspection:** None. **Records and Reports:** Mainly attendance. No reports. **Fire Alarms:** Telephoned through Allendale Central Office to Saddle River Borough, then to Upper Saddle River Borough. Sirens are sounded at both boroughs.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Consists of one part-time marshal.

**BUILDING LAWS:** No municipal regulations.

**FIRE PREVENTION LAWS:** No municipal regulations. State laws adequately cover the storage and shipment of explosives and flammables and the construction of motion picture booths. They also restrict the discharge of fireworks to responsible bonded parties.