

Jefferson County Fire and EMS Operational Guidelines

Jefferson County, WV

OG 10-003 Predetermined Response for Structure Fires in a Non-Hydrant Area

PURPOSE:

Jefferson County Fire and Rescue Companies respond to a wide range of emergency incidents. This procedure identifies the operational guideline that can be employed in establishing predetermined response for all units coming to a structure fire in a non-hydrant area. This provides for the effective management of personnel and resources, providing for safety and welfare of personnel. This guideline establishes responsibilities of responding companies in a non-hydrant area.

A "Structure Box" to a non-hydrant area will consist of the following units:

- Four (4) Engine Companies
- One (1) Truck Company
- Four (4) Tankers
- Two (2) EMS Transport Companies

PREDETERMINED RESPONSE ASSIGNMENTS

First Arriving Engine Company:

- Lay a supply line as needed and communicate the hydrant/layout location.
- Position just past or short of the address to allow room for the Truck Company
- Give an on-scene report (size-up)
- Give additional actions (ie: Advancing a 1¾" line to front door.)
- Give necessary assignments to the incoming units.

NOTE: If no other officers or units are on the scene, the first arriving Engine Company Officer has Command until it is transferred to another officer or Chief upon their arrival.

Second Arriving Engine Company:

- Complete the water supply to the first arriving Engine.
- Help set up dump tanks and/or connect to first arriving Engine and/or connect to nurse Tanker.
- Assist in advancing the initial attack line.
- Advance a back-up line if needed to support the first line. The second line may go above fire. Command must be advised.

Third Arriving Engine Company:

- Provide secondary water supply as needed; lay supplyline.
- Communicate the water supply.
- Obtain visual inspection of side "C", to include any rear or basement access, and give report to Command.
- Check exposures for extension

Fourth Arriving Engine Company:

- RIT

First Arriving Truck Company:

- Position for aerial operations if needed
- Deploy ground ladders.
- Perform ventilation, forcible entry, and search and rescue operations.

First Arriving Tanker:

- Will be a nurse tanker to the first arriving engine company unless stated different by the IC.
- Leaves any extra man-power that reports to Command for an assignment.
- Continues water shuttle as needed.

Second Arriving Tanker:

- Dumps load of water.
- Leaves any extra man-power that reports to Command for an assignment.
- Continues water shuttle as needed.

Third Arriving Tanker:

- Dumps load of water.
- Leaves any extra man-power that reports to Command for an assignment.
- Continues water shuttle as needed.

Fourth Arriving Tanker:

- Dumps load of water.
- Leaves any extra man-power that reports to Command for an assignment.
- Continues water shuttle as needed.

Rescue Squad, if on scene:

- Position out of the way.
- If there before the truck company, perform ventilation, forcible entry, search and rescue operations.

EMS Units:

- Position out of the way, ensuring quick egress if needed.
- Bring cot and first aid bag to Side A for any sick or injured patients or responders. The staging location should be on Side A, completely out of the way of any dangerous areas, atmospheres or conditions
- Get ready for rehab and vitals.
- Second arriving unit should prepare for transport that may be needed.

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