

### Purpose:

This procedure identifies the standard operating guideline that may be employed in establishing an EMS Task Force (ETF) response for mass casualty incidents, subsequent to the dispatch of a Box alarm. This provides for appropriate on-scene resources and provides the effective management of personnel and resources, providing for safety and welfare of personnel.

# An EMS Task Force shall consist of the following units

- Three (3) Transport Units
- One (1) Engine Company
- One (1) EMS Supervisor

# Communicating an "EMS Task Force"

Any officer or unit responding to or on the scene of an incident may request from the ECC that an "EMS Task Force" be dispatched.

# Note: The EMS Task Force is not part of the initial alarm.

### **Response Assignments of an EMS Task Force**

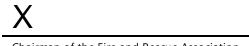
**Transport Units** - The ETF transport units shall notify Command that they are responding and shall request an assignment.

• The Incident Commander should consider that the ETF transport units report to the staging area until needed.

**Engine Company** - The ETF Engine Company shall notify command that they are responding and shall request an assignment.

- The Incident Commander shall deploy the Engine Company to the appropriate location for manpower assistance.
- The Incident Commander shall consider the need to hold the Engine Company in staging.

EMS Supervisor- Will report to the Command Post and establish and EMS Branch.



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