

BLACKWOOD FIRE COMPANY OPERATING GUIDELINE

1.9 INCIDENT RESPONSE - VEHICLE FIRES

- 1.9.1 Members manning SCBA equipped positions shall don same prior to or upon arrival at the scene, IAW OG# 7.2.1.
- 1.9.2 Apparatus shall be placed uphill and upwind at least 75' from the involved vehicle. When possible the apparatus shall be placed out of traffic flow, or on shoulder of road.
- 1.9.3 Involved vehicle(s) shall be stabilized prior to operations.
- 1.9.4 The IC shall verify that traffic flow is controlled, and/or coordinate same with PD.
- 1.9.5 A minimum of one (1) 1 3/4" hose line shall be placed in service when there is any significant involvement of a vehicle. Additionally, a dry chemical fire extinguisher will be continuously manned during firefighting operations for suppression of flammable liquid fires.
- 1.9.6 The second arriving engine shall be placed as close as possible to the first engine, and a 3" hose line connected when 1 3/4" and greater hose lines are in service.
- 1.9.7 The IC shall attempt to locate the driver/operator of the involved vehicle(s) to ascertain the nature and location of any hazardous materials that may be in the vehicle.
- 1.9.8 Vehicle fires involving hazardous materials shall be handled IAW OG# 1.16.
- 1.9.9 Involved vehicle(s) shall have batteries disconnected and fuel system checked for leaks.
- 1.9.10 The following information must be recorded:
- Operator name, address, and phone number
 - Owner name, address, and phone number
 - Vehicle registration number, and state
 - Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
 - Insurance carrier and policy number
 - Brief description of vehicle (year, make and model)
- 1.9.11 Refer to Highway Response Policy and Procedures

Manual for additional information regarding Vehicle
Fires on Limited Access Highways.

1.9.12 Fire investigation shall be requested IAW OG# 5.0.

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