

## **BLACKWOOD FIRE COMPANY OPERATING GUIDELINE**

### **5.1 REQUEST/RESPONSE OF FIRE OFFICIAL/FIRE MARSHAL**

The fire official shall be notified for any incident in Fire District #4 which meets the listed criteria:

- 5.1.1 Any fire related serious injury or loss of life suffered by a firefighter or civilian.
- 5.1.2 Any structure fire resulting in damage in excess of \$250.00.
- 5.1.3 Any incident involving an explosion or fireworks.
- 5.1.4 Any fire or incident with a suspicious cause or circumstances.
- 5.1.5 Any fire in a public or private school.
- 5.1.6 Any fire involving a burn victim.
- 5.1.7 Any fire involving a propane cylinder.
- 5.1.8 When deemed necessary by the Incident Commander.
- 5.1.9 The response of the District Fire Official shall be requested via Camden County Communications. If the District Fire Official is not available, the response of a Camden County Fire Marshal shall be requested.
- 5.1.10 Scene security is of utmost importance to a fire investigation. The IC must insure the scene is secured by having a fire department representative stand by until the arrival of a fire investigator. When possible, the first arriving apparatus should be designated for the stand-by to inform the fire investigator of conditions on arrival. Access to the fireground or property involved in fire by any unauthorized personnel, including the property owner, shall be denied by the IC. Police assistance shall be enlisted when necessary.

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