



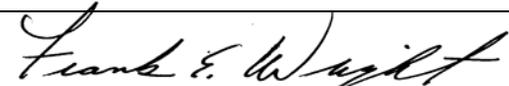
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

SUBJECT **Response Mode on EMS Assist**

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TO: All Fire & Rescue Department Personnel

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The purpose of this memo is to help personnel understand response **when assisting on EMS incidents**. It re-establishes guidelines for the unit calling for assistance as well as the unit(s) responding to assist. The key issue is the response mode of the unit responding to assist the on scene EMS unit. EMERGENCY or NON-EMERGENCY response, that is the question.

When on-scene EMS unit needs additional unit(s) to assist them on a scene they are to call headquarters and request needed assistance. When the response by the assisting unit(s) is not needed to be in the EMERGENCY MODE, the requesting unit/person shall indicate "NON-EMERGENCY RESPONSE." If the requesting unit does not indicate non-emergency response, then all responses will be in the emergency mode.

The unit(s) responding to the assist is to respond non-emergency only. All EMS assist responses will be in the emergency mode.

The assisting unit(s) and headquarters are **NOT** to call the on-scene unit(s) and ask what response mode to use.

Remember to always use good judgment, drive safely with the due regard whenever you are driving. Pay full attention to what you and others are doing.