Cedarville Township Volunteer Fire Department Fire Standard Operating Guideline 2025

- 1. Your personal safety is your first priority
- 2. Always operate equipment safely and under control. A vehicle **will not move** until all occupants are **seated with seat belts on**. Cell phones should **never** be used while driving, operating equipment, or in any situation where they can cause accidents.
- 3. Full personal protective equipment shall be worn at all times unless commanded otherwise. This includes bunker pants with suspenders on the shoulders, bunker coat zipped up, leather or rubber boots, nomex hood, gloves, and helmet with chin strap attached. Minimum personal protective equipment should consist of bunker pants with suspenders on the shoulders, leather or rubber boots, gloves, and helmet with chin strap attached.
- 4. It is your responsibility to maintain your bunker gear in clean working order. Bunker gear shall be washed in the gear washer when it becomes soiled with dirt, hydrocarbons, or other debris. At a minimum, your bunker gear shall be washed every six months. It is your responsibility to record it in the gear book. Any items needing repair shall be written down with name, date, and problem description with a note placed in the quartermasters mail box.
- 5. First unit on scene shall start size up to notify dispatch and all responding units of the situation. Single vehicle responses or calls for investigations may not require a formal command to be established. If a formal command is needed, the apparatus that the officer is on should be designated as the command. Ex. Engine 11 on scene at Faith Hall, single story wood frame construction, smoke showing from a window side A, Engine 11 will be Faith Hall command.
 - A. Fire / Investigation
 - 1. Structure use, size, and construction type
 - 2. Showing type, smoke, flames, fully involved
 - B. MVA / MVC
 - 1. Number and type of vehicles
 - 2. How many injured
 - 3. Is extrication needed
 - 4. Any fire hazards
 - 5. Any hazardous materials involved identify ASAP
- 6. A Cedarville only response will use 29CTFOP1 for on scene communications. Larger responses will utilize a TAC channel assignment. If not assigned, you may request a TAC channel assignment from dispatch Ex: 29FTAC9. Once on scene, notify dispatch of the OPS/TAC channel crews will be utilizing for on scene communication. Notify dispatch if a second tac channel is needed for the operation. The next even numbered channel should

- be assigned. Ex, 29FTAC10 assigned with 29FTAC9, 29FTAC12 assigned with 29FTAC11.
- 7. Special Consideration Accountability, need for RIC, 2 in 2 out, aerial platform work area.
- 8. Mutual Aid as necessary: notify dispatch what type apparatus and number of you need and CAD will send the next available unit.
- 9. For buildings with standpipes and sprinklers, the first engine in shall be positioned to pressurize the system. The second engine in should stage at another entry point to the building, preferably near a hydrant. The OIC on the first engine will go to the alarm panel for verification of alarm location. Everyone should stay with their piece of equipment till assigned a task.
- 10. Follow dispatch procedures and policies
 - A. For radio traffic, all communications should go through command.
 - B. Vehicles responding will confirm address with dispatch
 - C. Notify dispatch when adequate personnel are responding (fire or EMS).
- 11. Secure the scene first for personnel safety.
- 12. Command shall advise dispatch when the situation is contained and units in service.
- 13. Never enter the scene without notifying an officer or command. All personnel must be accounted for and kept track of. The officer may refuse to excuse you in order to continue the operation and / or clean up and place equipment in service.
- 14. Anyone working in a hazardous atmosphere shall don an airpack and assure their PASS device is activated.
- 15. Should you become ill, injured, or exhausted, notify the IC so you can be relieved and attended to. Failure to report may jeopardize your workman's compensation or insurance.
- 16. You should never exhaust yourself completely in case a rescue is needed. Be sure you have reserved enough energy to at least go through one more air bottle to make a rescue.
- 17. Any equipment that fails to function shall be pulled out of service and noted to an officer or command. After returning to the station, tag the equipment, date, sign, and note problem.

Vehicle Response for Calls for Service

- 18. These shall be followed as close as possible unless directed otherwise.
- 19. Class A foam will be used on all fires at 0.5 percent unless directed otherwise.

Cedarville Village / University	Cedarville/Ross Township	Cedarville University
Bomb Threat-BOMB	Bomb Threat-BOMB	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
<u>Crash–CRUI/CRPI/CREN</u>	<u>Crash-CRUI/CRPI/CREN</u>	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
CREN add Medic + Rescue	CREN add Medic + Rescue	
Fire Alarm Commercial-FACO	Fire Alarm Commercial-FACO	
Engine	Engine	
Aircraft Emergency-FAIR	Aircraft Emergency-FAIR	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
Fire Alarm Residential-FARE	Fire Alarm Residential-FARE	
Engine	Engine	
Structure Collapse-FCOL	Structure Collapse-FCOL	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Rescue	Rescue	
Chief	Chief	
Commercial Fire-FCOM	<u>Commercial Fire-FCOM</u>	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Ladder	
Medic	Tanker	
Chief	Tanker	
	Tanker	
	Tanker	
	Medic	

	Chief	
Working Fire-FCOMw adds	Working Fire-FCOMw adds	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Medic	
Medic	Air Cascade	
Air Cascade	Command	
Command	Communic	
Command		
Dumpster/Trash Fire-FDUMP	Dumpster/Trash Fire-FDUMP	
Engine	Engine	
	Tanker	
<u>Fuel Spill-FFUE</u>	Fuel Spill-FFUE	
Engine	Engine	
Grass/Field Fire-FGRA	Grass/Field Fire-FGRA	
Engine	Brush	
	Tanker	
<u>Haz-Mat-FHAZ</u>	<u>Haz-Mat-FHAZ</u>	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
<u>Inside Investigation-FIIN</u>	Inside Investigation-FIIN	
Engine	Engine	
Medical-FMBLS/FMALS/FMMC	Medical-FMBLS/FMALS/FMMC	Medical-FMBLS/FMALS/FMMC
Medic	Medic	Medic
		FMALS/FMMC add Medic
Medical Critical Care-FMCC	Medical Critical Care-FMCC	Medical Critical Care-FMCC
Medic	Medic	Medic
Brush	Brush	Medic
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Mass Casualty Incident-FMCI	Mass Casualty Incident-FMCI	
Engine	Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	

Outside Fire w/Exposure-FOEX	Outside Fire w/Exposure-FOEX	
Engine	Engine	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Tanker	
Medic	Tanker	
Chief	Medic	
	Chief	
Outside Investigation-FOIN	Outside Investigation-FOIN	
Engine	Engine	
Residential Fire-FRES	Residential Fire-FRES	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Tanker	
Medic	Tanker	
Chief	Tanker	
	Tanker	
	Medic	
	Chief	
Working Fire-FRESw adds	Working Fire-FRESw adds	
Engine Engine	Engine Engine	
Medic	Medic	
Command	Command	
Rescue High Angle-FRHI	Rescue High Angle-FRHI	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Ladder	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
MTF Rescue	MTF Rescue	
Rescue Other-FROT	Rescue Other-FROT	
Engine	Engine	
Ladder	Ladder	
Medic	Medic	
Chief	Chief	
Region 3 Tech Rescue	Region 3 Tech Rescue	
SFD Tech Rescue	SFD Tech Rescue	

Rescue Water-FRWA	Rescue Water-FRWA	
Ladder	Ladder	
Brush	Brush	
Medic	Medic	
Boat	Boat	
Boat	Boat	
Chief	Chief	
Service Call Engine-FSCE	Service Call Engine-FSCE	
Engine	Engine	
Service Call Medic-FSCM	Service Call Medic-FSCM	
Medic	Medic	
<u>Utility Hazard-FHAZ</u>	<u>Utility Hazard-FHAZ</u>	
Engine	Engine	
<u>Vehicle Car Fire-FVCA</u>	<u>Vehicle Car Fire-FVCA</u>	
Engine	Engine	
Chief	Tanker	
	Chief	
Vehicle Farm Equip. Fire-FVFA	Vehicle Farm Equip. Fire-FVFA	
Engine	Engine	
Chief	Tanker	
	Chief	
Fire Vehicle Large-FVLG	Fire Vehicle Large-FVLG	
Engine	Engine	
Chief	Tanker	
	Chief	
O I OVER	O 1 OVER	O 1 OVER
Overdose-OVER	Overdose-OVER	Overdose-OVER
Medic	Medic	Medic
		Medic
Charting CHOO	Charting CHOO	
Shooting-SHOO Madia	Shooting-SHOO Madia	
Medic	Medic	
Brush	Brush	

- 21. Upon confirmation of a structure fire (commercial or residential), the dispatcher should be notified to upgrade the call to a working fire. This will add additional units on the response plan and prompt the calling of electric and gas companies.
- 22. Engine 11 should lay a supply line on the way in or have Ladder 11 or Tanker 11 reverse lay and stage on the hydrant until assigned a task.
- 23. On vehicle fires, command may make tanker operations a priority depending on vehicle size and use.
- 24. If a boat is put on the water, it should be backed up by an equal to or greater sized boat. A boat with a motor is always preferred.
- 25. Anyone working at the water's edge shall have a life jacket and water rescue helmet on.
- 26. The driver should be the operator of the apparatus and responsible for the equipment on that vehicle unless commanded otherwise.
- 27. Any vehicle with a fuel supply less than 3/4 full shall be refueled prior to returning to the station.
- 28. Limit radio traffic to **essential** information only.
- 29. Each crew operating on a scene shall have a radio for communications.
- 30. If anyone gets into trouble, press the orange emergency on your radio and transmit "Mayday, Mayday, Mayday". Command will confirm last known location and reason for mayday. All units will continue operation given unless directed by command for different assignment. A PAR shall be utilized. Communications between the RIC and person in trouble will be on the channel the Mayday was declared on. Operations will be moved to a different channel.
- 31. To evacuate a structure, the command will be given over all frequencies being used. Apparatus will give a one minute minimum duration blast of the air horns. A PAR shall be utilized
- 32. When dangerous atmospheres may be encountered, use air monitoring equipment and ventilation before doffing SCBA use.
- 33. FreeLancing will absolutely not be tolerated.
- 34. Must have Blood Borne Pathogen, CPR, Hazardous Materials Awareness / Operation training, NIMS I700, I100, and I200.
- 35. Shall be certified as a rider or driver to be on a vehicle unless ordered by an officer.

- 36. All personnel left at the station once the vehicles have responded shall remain at the station until released by command. Inform command on the tac channel being utilized of the number of personnel standing by.
- 37. When responding in a personal vehicle with lights and sirens, members shall observe speed limits such as are consistent with laws, weather, road conditions, and with due regard for the safety of pedestrians and private property. All requirements set forth on the Ohio Revised Code shall also be followed.
- 38. All personnel shall follow the department guidelines for facial hair: no beards or goatees, mustaches cannot extend below the corner of the mouth, sideburns cannot extend below the ear.
- 39. Upon returning to the station, the officer in charge shall complete all paperwork required for the call. The run log shall be filled out with incident address, owner name and address, incident type, incident times, month, day, year, run number, mutual aid given or received, and members that responded. Information can be obtained on scene by filling out an incident report contained in the clipboard on Engine 11.
- 40. Ensuring that the apparatus and all equipment is clean is every member's responsibility. Upon returning from a call or training evolution, all vehicles and equipment will be cleaned as needed.
- 41. The officer in charge will release the crews from the station once all vehicles have been placed in service. It is the discretion of the officer in charge if a special need arises where you need to leave early.
- 42. Anything not covered in these guidelines, use personal knowledge and good common sense.

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