

Hauser Lake Fire Protection District

Standard Operating Guideline Response Guideline

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Response Guideline

29.01 Purpose:

The purpose of this Guideline is to provide guidance for emergency response.

29.02 Definitions

Accident	MVC
EMS	Medical emergency
Mutual Aid	Any response outside of district boundaries
MVC	Motor vehicle crash
OPS Channel	Radio channel assigned by dispatch
Page	Call or page for response whether via pager or linked cell phone
Structure Fire	Any building fire or suspected building fire.
Wildland Fire	Any timber, brush or grass fire.

29.03 Chief or Duty Officer

- i) The Chief or designated Duty Officer may respond direct to the scene at their discretion if, in their opinion, it is in the best interests of the incident in question in order to perform initial size up, determine resources necessary, or would provide a more effective response to the incident.

29.04 In District

- i) Wildland or Structure Fire
 - (1) When the page is received one officer/senior firefighter should acknowledge the page to dispatch. All other personnel should coordinate response on the assigned OPS channel by stating "Name (or Id No.) Responding"
 - (2) If a page for a fire, within district boundaries, is received, the duty officer may respond directly to the scene; or one (1) officer or senior firefighter may respond directly to the scene if he/she will pass the scene on their way to the station and will arrive before the duty officer. This officer or fighter will establish command and give a size up of the situation. They will also ensure that appropriate resources have been paged.
 - (3) All other personnel should respond to the station, don appropriate PPE, and respond to the scene in the appropriate apparatus, unless directed otherwise by IC.
- ii) EMS Call
 - (1) EMS personnel may stop at the scene if they will pass the incident on their way to the station **AND** they are certain that EMS71 or E721 are staffed, otherwise they should respond to the station and staff the appropriate apparatus.
- iii) MVC

- (1) When the page is received one officer/senior firefighter will acknowledge the page to dispatch. All other personnel should coordinate response on the assigned OPS channel by stating "Name (or Id No.) Responding".
- (2) The Duty Officer may respond directly to the scene to establish command and determine what resources will be required.
- (3) All other personnel should respond to the station, don PPE, and respond in the appropriate apparatus. It is the responsibility of the IC to advise which apparatus should respond first out. Lacking any direction from IC the first out apparatus should be E721, followed by EMS71.

29.05 Mutual Aid or Out of District

- ii) When the page is received one officer/senior firefighter should acknowledge the page to dispatch.
- iii) All other personnel should coordinate their response on Ops Channel 6 in order to reduce traffic on the working Ops Channel.
- iv) It is the duty officer's discretion whether he/she will serve as a crew member on responding apparatus or respond as a single resource. If responding as a single resource the Command Vehicle (U799) should be utilized.
- v) Only the apparatus requested will respond to the incident. If necessary the Officer or firefighter in charge may request clarification from the Incident IC.
- vi) Personal vehicles should not respond directly to out of district requests for aid unless specifically directed to do so.
- vii) Personnel should don appropriate PPE prior to leaving the station.