

Washington Township Fire Department Standard Operating Procedure

Division 600: Communications and Fire Alarm Office
Section 602: Fire/Rescue/HazMat Emergencies
Subject 602.01: Response Listing
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Other Various Memorandums & Directives



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PURPOSE:

To establish basic guidelines as to the number and type of apparatus to be dispatched on a variety of emergency and non-emergency situations. Those situations listed are not meant to be all encompassing. However, the list should cover those situations most frequently encountered.

RESPONSIBILITY:

It is the responsibility of all Fire Alarm Operators to know the number and type of apparatus to be dispatched to the situations listed in this directive. All personnel should have an understanding of the established response guidelines.

PROCEDURES:

Battalion 40, Shift Commander*, in addition to the response listings below, must be dispatched on the following:

- *Emergency Medical Services responses involving violence*
- *Police stand-off situations*
- *Multiple casualty incidents*
- *Incidents where Careflight is responding*
- *Unusual emergencies (cardiac arrests, deaths, etc.)*
- *Major injuries or entrapments*
- *Specialized responses within Washington Township*
- *Any interstate highway responses*
- *Accidents involving departmental vehicles*
- *Injury or accident involving departmental personnel*

***Shift Commander may respond to any other call at his discretion.**

Attack 41 (when in-service) should be dispatched on all of the following responses where indicated.

Tanker 45 should be dispatched when requested or known problem area.

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Engine 43/ Rescue 43 present unique staffing issues and require special attention. As indicated in the response levels listed below, in any trap response situation where Rescue 43 is to be dispatched and is unavailable, Ladder 41 will be dispatched in its place.

<i>The following scenarios are provided as guidance for Fire Alarm Operators. It should be assumed, for purposes of these scenarios, that Rescue 43 is staffed (in-service) and that one of the crew is a Driver/Operator for Engine 43 and that Engine 43 is not staffed (out of service).</i>	
Scenario	Response
Structure Fire – Engine 43, 1 st due	Engine 43 w/crew from Rescue 43 (Rescue 43 now out of service)
Structure Fire – Engine 43, 2 nd or 3 rd due	Rescue 43 (unless Engine 43 is needed to complete the response, in which case Engine 43 will be dispatched and Rescue 43 placed out of service)
Auto Accident at night or w/Trap in any District	Rescue 43
Auto Accident w/Trap and Fire in District 43	Engine 43 with crew from Rescue 43 (Rescue 43 now out of service)
Auto Accident w/Trap and Fire in any District Other than District 43	Rescue 43
Fire Investigation, Medic Assist or any other Single Engine Response	Engine 43 with crew from Rescue 43 (Rescue 43 now out of service)
<u><i>When the crew from Rescue 43 is utilized to staff Engine 43, the Fire Alarm Operator must announce over the air that Rescue 43 is now out of service. No Alpha page is necessary.</i></u>	

STANDARD RESPONSE LISTINGS

	INCIDENT TYPE	APPARATUS RESPONSE
<i>Fire</i>	Single Family Residence	2 Engines, Ladder, Attack 41 (if available), Medic, Rescue, Air 42, Battalion 40
	Multi-Family Residence	3 Engines, Ladder, Attack 41 (if available), Medic, Rescue, Air 42, Battalion 40
	Commercial Structure	3 Engines, Ladder, Attack 41 (if available), Medic, Rescue, Air 42, Battalion 40
	Nursing Home/Hospital	4 Engines, 2 Ladders, Attack 41 (if available), Medic, Rescue, Air 42, Battalion 40
	Airplane Crash – Open Field	1 Engine, Medic, Rescue, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	Airplane Crash – Structure Involved	Appropriate Structure Response
	Chimney Fire	1 Engine, Ladder, Battalion 40

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	Investigation Single Family Residence Multi-Family Residence Commercial Structure	1 Engine 1 Engine, Ladder, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40 1 Engine, Ladder, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	Automatic Fire Alarm* Single Family Residence Multi-Family Residence All Other Automatic Fire Alarms <i>*If fire is confirmed, dispatch the appropriate full response.</i>	1 Engine 1 Engine, Ladder, Battalion 40 1 Engine, Ladder, Battalion 40
	Brush/Grass Fire	1 Engine, Brush 43
	Dumpster Fire	1 Engine
	Car Fire	1 Engine, Attack 41 (if available),
	Car Fire on I-675*	2 Engines, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	<p>*On I-675 south of SR-725 – One (1) WTFD Engine from the north and Miami Township (AMAR) Engine from the south.</p> <p>On I-675 from SR-725 to SR-48 – One (1) Engine from the south and One (1) Engine from the north.</p> <p>On I-675 from SR-48 to Wilmington Pike – One (1) Engine from the south and One (1) Engine from the north.</p> <p>In the area of I-675 and the Alex-Bell and SR-48 interchange area – Two (2) Engines.</p> <p>Should a third Engine or Tanker be requested on an I-675 response, the following information is provided:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">WTFD Tanker 45 – 1500 Gallons Sugarcreek Engine/Tanker – 1250 Gallons Beavercreek Tanker – 1500 Gallons Miamisburg Tanker – 2300 Gallons</p>	
	CO Alarm Activated – No medical emergency	1 Engine, Attack 41 (if Attack 41 is out of service, send second Engine). All units respond non-emergency.
	CO Alarm Activated – With medical emergency	1 Engine, Ladder, Attack 41 (if in service), Medic, Battalion 40. All units respond on an emergency basis.
Water Calls	Water Problem Situations	1 Engine, Attack 41 if an emergency situation exists (if Attack 41 is out of service, send Ladder 41).
Medical	Illness/Injury	Medic [Attack 41 or 1 Engine if backup Medic (not in station) or Medic is mutual aid]

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	Medic Request (non-auto accident) Except above	Medic, Attack 41 (if Attack 41 is unavailable, send Engine).
	Auto Accident	Medic, 1 Engine, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	Auto Accident – Victim Trapped	Medic, Rescue (if unavailable, send Ladder 41), 1 Engine, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	I-675 Auto Accident	Medic, 1 Engine, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
	I-675 Auto Accident – Victim Trapped and/or Fire	Medic, Rescue (if unavailable, send Ladder 41), 2 Engines (1 Engine from the north and 1 Engine from the south), Attack 41, Battalion 40
	Extrication (any type)	Medic, Rescue (if unavailable or additional assistance needed, send Ladder 41), 1 Engine, Attack 41 (if available), Battalion 40
Citizen Assist	Citizen That Has Fallen – No Injury 0700 to 2300 Hours Citizen That Has Fallen – No Injury 2300 to 0700 Hours (Refer to SOP 609.01)	Engine, Medic or Attack 41 whichever is closest to incident Contact C.P.D. or M.C.S.O. depending upon jurisdiction, they will send a crew to assist
Water Rescue	Water Rescue Incidents (other than swimming pools)	Medic, Rescue w/Boat, Brush 43 w/Boat, 1 Engine, Attack 41, Battalion 40
Foam Bank	Request for Foam Bank	HazMat 44 w/Foam Trailer

Washington Township has been designated as the primary dispatch for the South Suburban Foam Bank. Kettering Fire Department is the secondary dispatch point should Washington Township be unable to fulfill this obligation.

When a request for the Foam Bank is received, a CAD Entry is to be initiated and the following information obtained:

- Caller's Name
- Department
- Telephone Number
- Emergency Location
- Type of Emergency
- Command Post Location
- Incident Command Identification
- Radio Frequency, Channel or Talk Group to be Utilized
- Any Special Instructions

Once all information is obtained, each of the departments (listed below) maintaining a foam depot will be contacted, beginning with the department closest to the incident, and provided all pertinent information.

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	Biological Threat Package (Potential Threat), No Substance Observed	Chief 1 or, if unavailable, Chief 41 (will meet with caller and determine any further course of action)
	Biological Threat Package, Substance Observed, i.e., powder (no immediate threat involved per caller)	Chief 1 or Chief 41, 1 Engine, HazMat 44, Battalion 40 (all units respond non-emergency)

Within Appendix 1 of this Directive shall be listed persons/work groups qualified to work in/upon the designations given below. The Fire Alarms Office shall assure that they have a current copy of this Appendix immediately available for use. Persons/work groups may be added or removed from the Appendix by authority of the Fire Chief. The Fire Chief is responsible for reviewing the Appendix in June and December of each year to ensure accuracy.

- **Hazardous Material Technicians**
- **Region 3 Rescue Task Force**
- **Region 3 Incident Management Team**
- **Ohio Task Force One** - Participants will generally be contacted through the Task Force. This listing is maintained in the event the Fire Alarms Office is contacted and requested to make notification of a Task Force response that affects personnel.