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Office of the Fire Chief

Policy 4215-016

Policies and Directives

Tower 42 Riding Positions and Responsibilities

Purpose: This directive is designed to establish positions and responsibilities on Tower 42..

Scope: All fire department personnel.

1. Tower 42 will have a maximum staffing of 6 people and a minimum staffing of 3 people. The minimum staffing level can be lower by approval of the incident commander.
 - a. Riding Position 1 (Driver) Seated Left Front
Duties: Operate and position the apparatus, operate with the outside Team, provide additional tools off of the apparatus as needed. Position on turntable when aerial is going to be in use. Will only operate controls in event of emergency.
Tool Assignment: Radio and any tool necessary to perform needed tasks.
 - b. Riding Position 2 (Officer) Seated Right Front
Duties: Overall supervision, functions with the inside/ team.
Tools: Radio, Flashlight, Tic and Officer Tool.
 - c. Riding Position 3 (Forcible Entry) Seated Rear Facing Driver Side
Duties: Part of inside team, force entry, vent, enter, search of interior.
Tools: Radio, Flashlight, Irons (Flat head axe and halligan tool), Rabbit tool
 - d. Riding Position 4 (Water Can) Seated Rear Facing Officer Side.
Duties: Part of inside team. vent, enter, search of interior
Tools: Radio, Flashlight, Water Can, 6 ft Hook.
 - e. Riding Position 5 (Outside Vent) Seated Front Facing Driver Side.
Duties: Part of outside team, ladder a/b sides, vent, enter, search from exterior. Responsible for visual check all sides of building. Assist with bucket operations.
Tools: Radio, Flashlight, 6 ft. hook, Pick head axe.
 - f. Riding Position 6 (Roof) Seated Front Facing Officer Side.
Duties: Part of outside team, assist with ladder a/b sides, vent, enter, search by way of exterior, access roof, bucket operations. Will have control over aerial operations by bucket.
Tools: Radio, Flashlight, 6ft Hook, Rope Bag

2. When the apparatus is operating with less than 6 firefighters the following is the staffing priorities:
 - a. 5 Man Crew (Driver, Officer, Forcible Entry, Outside Vent, Can)
 - b. 4 Man Crew (Driver, Officer, Forcible Entry, Outside Vent)
 - c. 3 Man Crew (Driver, Officer, Forcible Entry)
3. The Tower Bucket aerial operations will be controlled by the operator of the bucket at all times except in the event of an emergency where the operator of the bucket is no longer able to effectively operate the bucket.
4. Firefighters riding the Tower are assigned to 2 teams, Inside and Outside:
 - a. Outside Team (Driver, Outside Vent, Roof)
 - b. Inside Team (Officer, Forcible Entry, Can)
5. The driver of Tower 42 will be responsible for the set up and stabilization of Tower 42. It shall be the responsibility of the OIC of Tower 42 to ensure safe set up and stabilization is accomplished prior to members entering the bucket of Tower 42.
6. During vehicle rescue operations the Officer will direct firefighters to fill necessary assignments as needed. If not assigned, the firefighter shall remain with the apparatus.
7. Firefighters operation in the bucket of Tower 42 will utilize the ladder safety belts or gear attached harness and secured when the bucket is out of the cradle and in operation.
8. Members shall be trained and released by the Fire Chief to ride Tower 42. Members will only be released once for the lifetime of current apparatus. Members not complying with training to be released shall refrain from riding Tower 42. This is to include Drivers of Tower 42.
9. Tower 42 training will consist of a minimum of 6 hours hands on training. Training will consist of riding assignments, tool/equipment location and hands on usage, apparatus setup and breakdown. Training will be a pass or fail training consisting of a hands on completion test at end of their training. Members who successfully complete and pass training on Tower 42 will be given a TL-42 decal to be placed on their fire helmet. A member who does not have a TL-42 decal will not be permitted to ride.
10. Tower 42 will respond as 2nd due apparatus on all structural incidents with the exception of small non dwellings and mobile home incidents. Tower 42 will respond as 2nd due on all Water Rescue incidents. Tower 42 will respond 1st due on all elevator emergencies. Tower 42 will respond 3rd due on all MVC's. Tower 42 will respond 1st due on MVC's when Rescue 42 is out of service. Changes to this apparatus response order can be changed at any time at the discretion of the OIC.



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11. The OIC of Tower 42 may change or alter sections 1,2 & 4 of this policy when needed during at fire alarm at their discretion.

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