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## Scope and Purpose:

Prince George Fire and EMS respond to a broad range of emergencies. Those services include fire prevention, suppression, investigations, technical rescue, hazardous materials handling, emergency medical services, extrication, emergency management and community training.

This policy provides a uniform procedure for ensuring the appropriate resources are assigned to a call for service on the initial dispatch.

INCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	SPECIAL ALARM	PAGE	TIMER	EMS RESPONSE	DESCRIPTION
Accident Commercial	1			15 min	YES IF INJURIES	ALL COMMERCIAL VEHICLE CRASHES WITH <b><u>INJURIES OR HAZARDS</u></b>
Accident Fatality	1		Fire Admin	15 min	YES	VEHICLE CRASHES THAT RESULT IN FATALITY(S) AND NO OTHER ENTRAPMENTS ARE INVOLVED
Accident - Entrapment	2	Rescue 260	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES CONFIRMED ENTRAPMENTS
Accident Overturned Vehicle	1			15 min	NO	VEHICLE CRASHES WITH THE VEHICLE OVERTURNED AND <b><u>NO INJURIES</u></b>
Accident Personal Injury	1			15 min	YES	VEHICLE CRASHES WITH PEOPLE INJURED INCLUDING EJECTIONS
Accident Submerged	2	Rescue 260	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	VEHICLES THAT ARE SUBMERGED IN WATER AND OCCUPANTS ARE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR
Accident Unknown Injury	1			15 min	YES	VEHICLE CRASHES WITH NO INFORMATION ABOUT INJURIES. ONCE MORE INFORMATION IS OBTAINED UPGRADE THE CALL TO THE APPROPRIATE NATURE CODE
Aircraft down/fire	3	Rescue 260 and <b><u>1st due</u></b> Aerial Ladder Truck	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES CRASH, EMERGENCY LANDING, BOMB SCARE AND/OR FIRES
Arson Attempt	1		Fire Admin	15 min	NO	ONLY ATTEMPTS, ACTUAL FIRES WILL BE ASSIGNED THE appropriate CODE
Assist Police	1	units being requested		15 min	NO	INCLUDES ASSISTING FOR LADDERS, LIGHTING AND OTHER SUPPORT
Brush/Woods Fire	1			15 min	NO	<b><u>LESS THAN 1 ACRE</u></b> , SMALL GRASS FIRE OR FIRE IN A DITCH
Brush/Woods Fire - Working	2	Wildland 4; Call the VA Forestry Department	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	<b><u>MORE THAN 1 ACRE</u></b>
Elevator	1			15 min	NO	ELEVATOR STOPPED WORKING WITH PEOPLE INSIDE. NO INJURIES

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Fire Alarm - Commercial	1			15 min	NO	INFORMATION COMING FROM ALARM COMPANY ONLY <b><i>IF SMOKE OR FIRE PRESENT UPGRADE TO WORKING FIRE</i></b>
Fire Alarm Commercial with Water Flow	2	<b>1st due</b> Aerial Ladder Truck		15 min	NO	INCLUDES SPRINKLER HEAD ACTIVATIONS AND FIRE PUMP ACTIVATIONS
Fire Alarm - Residential	1			15 min	NO	INFORMATION COMING FROM ALARM COMPANY ONLY <b><i>IF SMOKE OR FIRE PRESENT UPGRADE TO WORKING FIRE</i></b>
Fire Alarm with Water Flow - Residential	2	<b>1st due</b> Aerial Ladder Truck		15 min	NO	INCLUDES SPRINKLER HEAD ACTIVATIONS AND FIRE PUMP ACTIVATIONS
Fuel Spill	1			15 min	NO	INCLUDES SPILLS OF GASOLINE, DIESEL, OR KEROSENE LESS THAN 50 GALLONS
Gas Leak - Inside	1			15 min	NO	INCLUDES SMELL AND/OR SOUND OF NATURAL OR PROPANE GAS INSIDE A STRUCTURE
Gas Leak - Outside	2			15 min	NO	INCLUDES SMELL AND/OR SOUND OF NATURAL OR PROPANE GAS OUTSIDE A STRUCTURE
Golf Course Railroad	1	Police Officer	Fire Admin	15 min	NO	UNLOCKING OF THE CROSSING GATE BETWEEN GOLF COURSE DRIVE AND COUNTY DRIVE
Hazardous Materials	2	Haz-Mat 1, Call Colonial Heights for Crater Haz-Mat Team	Fire Admin (haz-mat team & Co.1 text page)	15 min	YES	INCLUDES KNOWN HAZARDOUS MATERIALS LEAK/SPILL INVOLVING A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR RAIL CAR CARRYING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
Machinery Accident	1			15 min	YES	INCLUDES AGRICULTURAL, COMMERCIAL, AND/OR INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY
Machinery Accident-Entrapment	1	Rescue 260	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES AGRICULTURAL, COMMERCIAL, AND/OR INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY
Medical Assist	1			15 min		INCLUDES FIREFIGHTER DRIVERS, LIFTING ASSISTANCE AND OTHER ASSISTANCE GIVEN TO EMS UNITS
Mutual Aid - Scene	1	units being requested	Fire Admin	15 min	NO	ON-SCENE FIRE AID GIVEN TO SURROUNDING LOCALITIES
Mutual Aid - Fill In	1	units being requested	Fire Admin	15 min	NO	INCLUDES STATION FILL-IN'S IN SURROUNDING LOCALITIES
Public Service	1			15 min	NO	ASSISTING THE PUBLIC WITH NON-EMERGENCY MATTERS
Smoke/Burning Odor - Inside	2			15 min	NO	INCLUDES THE SMELL OF: SMOKE BURNING ODOR, ETC...
Smoke/Burning Odor - Outside	1			15 min	NO	INCLUDES THE SMELL OF: SMOKE BURNING ODOR, ETC...
Structural Collapse	2	Rescue 260	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES ALL OR PORTIONS OF A STRUCTURE THAT HAVE FALLEN, ARE UNSTABLE OR MAY FALL

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Structure Fire	2		Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INITIAL <b>REPORT</b> OF ALL FIRES INSIDE A STRUCTURE OR INVOLVING A STRUCTURE... ONCE CONFIRMED UPGRADE IT TO A WORKING FIRE
Structure Fire - Working	3	<u>1st due</u> Aerial Ladder Truck; Tanker Task Force in non-hydrant areas	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES ALL <b>CONFIRMED</b> FIRES INSIDE A STRUCTURE OR INVOLVING A STRUCTURE (I.E. KITCHEN, BEDROOM, POARCH, ATTACHED GARAGE, ATTIC, ETC...)
Technical Rescue	1	Rescue 260, Call Colonial Heights for Crater Technical Rescue Team	Fire Admin (Technical rescue team & Co.2 text page)	15 min	YES	INCLUDES HIGH ANGLE, CONFINED SPACE, WATER, TRENCH AND OTHERSPECIALIZED RESCUE INCIDENTS
Test	0		Fire Admin and the 1st due company	15 min	NO	ANYONE CONDUCTING TESTING ON A FIRE SYSTEM
Train Wreck	2	Rescue 260; <u>1st due</u> Aerial Ladder Truck	Fire Admin	15 min	YES	INCLUDES ANY CRASH/WRECK INVOLVING A TRAIN THAT IS <b>NOT</b> CARRYING A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL
Tree(s) Down	1		Smart Traffic	15 min	NO	INCLUDES ON A HOUSE, ROADWAY OR POWERLINE
Vehicle Fire	1			15 min	NO	VEHICLES ON FIRE
Vehicle Fire - Commercial	2	Consider tankers for non-hydrant areas		15 min	NO	INCLUDES NON-HAZARDOUS MATERIALS CARRYING COMMERCIAL VEHICLES (I.E. BUS, TRACTOR TRAILER, WIDE LOAD CARRIERS...ETC
Vessel Fire	2	Consider Marine 1 if on the James or Appomattox River	Fire Admin	15 min	YES IF INJURIES	INCLUDES ALL WATERCRAFT STYLE VESSELS
Wires Down	1		Smart Traffic	15 min	NO	POWER LINES DOWN ACROSS THE ROADWAY OR PULLED AWAY FROM A BUILDING

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