

# Hiawatha Fire & Rescue

Policy 605  
Emergency Operations  
Vehicle Accidents  
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Purpose- to provide a general guideline for response to vehicle accidents.

- A. Rescue 281 and Squad 289 are the primary apparatus utilized for responding to vehicle accidents.
- B. Members shall don appropriate BSI and PPE while enroute to the accident scene.
- C. Engine 284 is respond only on a confirmed extrication or helicopter flight.
- D. Members shall don appropriate BSI and PPE while enroute to the accident scene.
- E. At the accident scene
  1. All efforts shall be made to gain access to the patient
  2. 289 crew members are primarily responsible for patient care.
    - a. Crews may pull a 1 ¾" hoseline off of the rear of B-289 if circumstances require.
  3. 281 crew member duties:
    - a. Driver- operates the truck. Sets –up tool staging area, lights
    - b. Officer-command of the scene
    - c. All other personnel - provides extrication to gain access to the patient or assist in any other on scene task required. This will be assigned **EXTRICATION SECTOR.**
  4. 284 crew members shall be assigned to assist with landing the helicopter, extrication or patient care as assigned by the incident commander.

It is important to remember that all crews must function as a part of a team in order to successfully mitigate the scene.

**NOTE:** All crews that are placed in staging shall wait orders from the Incident Commander prior to any work assignments.