

Hiawatha Fire & Rescue

Policy 614
Emergency Operations
Initial Fireground Tasks Truck

Scope

This policy applies to the first truck company responding to a reported structure fire. It was created to establish a guideline for the implementation of the Truck Company Operations practiced by Hiawatha Fire & Rescue.

I. General

- A. All truck companies responding first out to a reported structure fire shall attempt to respond with six personnel.
- B. Each member responding shall be assigned an initial fireground task based upon the assignment given to them by the truck Company Officer.
- C. All members shall provide the officer with their Personal Accountability Tags as required by HFD Occupational Health and Safety Policy 406, *Incident Accountability*.

II. Engine Company Positions

- A. Officer
- B. Driver/ OVM
- C. Roof 1
- D. Roof 2
- E. Search 1
- F. Search 2

III. Initial Tasks and Tools Assigned (Working fire mode)

- A. Officer / OVM
 1. Tasks
 - a. Supervise and assist all crew members
 - b. Through size-up
 - c. Coordinate exterior horizontal ventilation with the Engine Company attack crew
 2. Tools
 - a. 10' or larger pike pole
 - b. SCBA
 - c. Radio
- B. Driver
 1. Tasks
 - a. Safely deliver the apparatus and crew to the scene
 - b. Operate the aerial ladder
 - c. Scene lighting
 - d. Size-up
 - e. Assist all other crew members with gathering of tools and placing of ladders
 2. Tools
 - a. Any tools determined needed by the size-up of the structure
- C. Roof 1 & Roof 2
 1. Tasks
 - a. Conduct a size-up of the structure paying particular attention to the roof and vertical ventilation needs
 - b. Ready all necessary ground ladder and vertical ventilation equipment based on the size-up and the orders received from the Incident Commander or the Truck Company Officer
 2. Tools
 - a. SCBA
 - b. Radio
 - c. Ground Ladders
 - d. Power Saws
 - e. Hose lines
 - f. Hand tools
- D. Search 1 and Search 2
 1. Tasks
 - a. Size-up the structure

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- b. Force entry
- c. Complete the primary search of the structure looking for fire extension and possible victims
2. Tools
 - a. SCBA
 - b. Halligan and flathead axe (IRONS)
 - c. Pulling Tool (preferably Hawks Head)
 - d. Hose line or search rope based on fire conditions and crew choice

IV. Investigation Mode

- A. When the Truck Company arrives on scene and there are no immediate signs of combustion, the Engine Company will be in investigation mode.
- B. The Truck Company shall stage and await order from the Incident Commander or the Engine Company Officer.