



RUSSELLVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT
POLICY MANUAL

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PURPOSE

This policy recognizes the need and establishes a procedure for the designation of a Task Force. All personnel shall be familiar with the Task Force concept

POLICY

A Task Force is defined as any combination of resources temporarily assembled to support a specific mission or operational need. All resource elements within a Task Force must have common communications and a designated leader. It shall be the responsibility of the Fire Chief or his designee to establish, assign and dispatch a Task Force when potential emergency threats arise or emergencies have already occurred.

When conditions dictate the Fire Chief or designee shall at their discretion, establish a Task Force designed to effectively and efficiently provide support and resources to companies and incident commanders. This may be delivered from on-duty and/or off-duty personnel.

1. A Task Force may provide assistance in:
 - Major urban/structure fires
 - Natural disasters
 - Wildland/Urban Interface fires
 - Hazardous materials incidents
 - Mass Casualty Incidents (MCI)
2. The Task Force shall assemble the necessary apparatus and equipment for initial intervention.
3. Upon assembling of a Task Force personnel and equipment, a Task Force briefing shall be provided to all members.
4. A leader shall be designated (i.e., Chief Officer, Captain, etc.).
5. Communications shall be established (i.e., AWIN, fire ground, etc).
6. Task Force apparatus shall respond.
7. The leader shall determine from incident command, the initial assignment.
8. The Task Force may be delegated to a sector responsibility.
9. Upon completion of assignment, the Task Force may report to staging for additional assignment or return to service.
10. An incident report shall be completed.

Approved

Fire Chief

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