

CITY OF BEND FIRE RESCUE
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

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A. SIZE-UP/ASSESSMENT OF CONDITIONS

- 1) Companies must get Incident Commander's permission to return to service/quarters.
 - C.O. should notify dispatch of status of their apparatus via MDT:
 - ♦ Available
 - ♦ Available in quarters
 - ♦ Out of Service
- 2) Dispatch should be advised how long (estimated) the out-of-service companies will be kept at the scene.

B. SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS AND CHECKLIST

- 1) When returning from an incident
 - All loose equipment shall be safely stored and secured.
 - Hose and additional equipment shall not be carried on tailboard, running boards or unsecured in cabs.
 - Plastic sheet covers should be placed over seats in cab prior to leaving scene.
- 2) All companies should make thorough checks before leaving any scene to ensure all BF&R equipment is picked up.
- 3) Upon returning to station decontamination procedures for personal, cab, and equipment should be followed as per PPI Firefighting Cancer Risk Reduction Policy 1900-008

C. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

- 1) If returning available from an incident engine will have:
 - Booster tanks should have a full complement of water.
 - Hose beds should be capable of laying a minimum of 50% of their normal supply capability, i.e. 500' of 5" for Engine Company supply lines.
 - At least one 1-3/4 attack line should be available for immediate use.
- 2) Information Gathering

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- Any pertinent data for reports or investigations (such as addresses, names, equipment part numbers, pictures, etc.) should be acquired by the Incident Commander or their designee.

3) Scene Security/Property Release

- Incident Commander should notify Dispatch and building representative of any utility shut offs, disconnects, or damage.
- The Incident Commander is responsible for returning the scene to a safe and/or secure condition before terminating command.
- Incident Commander is responsible for informing the building representative to restore fire alarms and control systems.
- Consent to re-enter form for ongoing investigation.
- Support for victims i.e. Red Cross, Salvation Army exc.
 - ♦ Distribute the After the Fire pamphlet