

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 8

Standard Operating Procedures

100.03.01 STRUCTURE FIRE OPERATIONS



Adopted: 12/20/16
Reviewed: 11/21/19
Revised: 11/21/19

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Fisher".

Purpose: To establish guidelines when responding to a structure fire.

References: N/A

Procedure:

1. Notification.

Upon dispatch to a structure fire, responders should utilize mapping to confirm:

- a) Location of the incident.
- b) Best response route to the incident.
- c) Hydrant nearest to the incident.

2. Response.

Once underway, responders should:

- a) Ensure the entire crew is seated and wearing seatbelts.
- b) Advise Dispatch they are responding and the address to which they are responding.
- c) Plan to go to the hydrant nearest to the incident.

3. Water Supply.

The establishment of a sustained water supply is essential to successful fire control operations. Responders should consider the following to ensure a water supply at the earliest time consistent with rapid fire attack:

- a) Hydrant Area – Respond to the hydrant nearest the incident scene:
 - i. **Smoke showing from hydrant location:**
 1. First Unit: Proceed to scene or Officer discretion lay a large diameter water supply
 2. Second Unit: Level 1 staging and prepare to be deployed. Generally, if the first unit has not secured water supply the second unit will locate and secure water supply and consider supply and/or relay pump operations.
 - ii. **No smoke showing from hydrant location:**
 1. First Unit: Proceed to scene.
 2. Second Unit: Level 1 staging and prepare to be deployed. Generally, if the first unit has not secured water supply the second unit will locate and secure water supply and consider supply and/or relay pump operations
- b) Rural Area (no hydrant within 1000 feet) – Respond to the scene.
 - i. **Smoke showing:**
 1. First Unit: Should consider a driveway lay based on second unit proximity and distance to structure from water supply

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 8

Standard Operating Procedures

100.03.01 STRUCTURE FIRE OPERATIONS



Adopted: 12/20/16
Reviewed: 11/21/19
Revised: 11/21/19

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Fisher", is written over a horizontal line.

location. Driveway lay will generally be a single 2 ½ inch or greater supply line.

2. Second Unit: Level 1 stage. Generally, the second unit will prepare for relay pumping operations.

3. Tender: Prepare for draft or nurse tending operations

ii. **No smoke showing:**

1. First Unit: Proceed to scene

2. Second Unit: Level 1 staging.

3. Tender: Level 1 staging

4. Arrival.

Upon arrival responders should:

a) Provide a size-up and establish command.

b) Determine an operational mode.

i. Offensive.

ii. Defensive.

iii. Transitional/Quick Hit.

iv. Rescue.

v. Investigation.

c) Advise incoming units of operational mode selected and any other important information or directions.

5. Fire Attack.

Structure fire operations will generally utilize the following:

a) Fire Attack Team.

b) Back-Up Team.

c) Rapid Intervention Team (RIT).

d) On Deck Team(s)