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ENGINE

Riding position numbers will start with the Engineer's position (Driver) being #1 and rotating clockwise around the Engine.

Position #1- (Engineer)

- 1. Responsible for safely transporting firefighting personnel to and from an emergency scene.
- 2. Responsible for laying supply lines and making supply line connections to apparatus.
- 3. Responsible for operating pump/providing scene lighting and equipment accountability.
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear
 - b. Portable radio

Position #2-(Officer or most senior interior firefighter if no officer is present)

- 1. Responsibilities include assisting with hose line management, forcible entry and initial fire attack.
- Accompany hoseteam (nozzle man and backup firefighter)
- 3. Establish interior sector command (coordinated with Incident Command).
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Hand light
 - d. Irons or sledge/axe

Position #3-(Nozzle man)

- 1. Pulls suitable hose line for job.
- 2. Performs initial fire attack, as well as search & rescue, ventilation, and overhaul as required by the conditions of the incident.
- 3. AFA in a standpipe building investigates AFA with highrise pack
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable Radio
 - c. Hand light

Position #4 (Lead-off man)

- 1. Exits apparatus at hydrant with necessary tools to establish water supply.
- 2. Efficiently makes hydrant connection and awaits the Engineer's command to charge the hydrant.
- 3. After water supply has been established, returns to the Engine, picks up tools and becomes the back-up man on second attack line.
- 4. AFA remains with apparatus
- 5. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable Radio
 - c. Hydrant bag
 - d. Hydrant valve and enough hose to wrap hydrant.
 - e. Hand light

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Position #5 (Assist Nozzle man)

- 1. Back-up Nozzle man on the initial attach line.
- AFA assists Nozzleman with highrise pack and makes connection at standpipe
- 3. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Hand light
 - d. Hand Tools

Position #6 (Back-up line Nozzle man)

- 1. Pulls second suitable hose line for back-up job.
- 2. AFA remains with apparatus
- 3. Performs back up to initial hose line team or secondary fire attack.
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Hand light

AERIAL (TOWER)

Riding position numbers will start with the Engineer's position (Driver) being #1 and rotating clockwise around the Tower.

Position #1- (Engineer)

- 1. Responsible for safely transporting firefighting personnel to and from an emergency scene.
- 2. Responsible for set-up of the aerial
- 3. Responsible for turntable operations
- 4. Responsible for exterior ladder placement
- 5. Assist Outside Vent Man if aerial device not to be used
- 6. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Hook, hand light (if assisting Outside Vent Man)

Position #2-(Officer) Note: This position will be filled by an officer. If no officer is present this position will be filled by the most senior interior tower qualified firefighter present.

- 1. Responsibilities: size-up, placement of apparatus and direction of crew
- 2. Investigate AFAs with Can Man and Bars Man
- Assist with search & rescue, recon or roof sector command depending on initial needs.
- Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Thermal Imaging Camera (if Can-man position is not filled)
 - d. Hand tools based on job
 - e. Hand light
 - f. Rabbit Tool/K-Tool if needed

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Position #3-(Roof man and/or Outside Vent man)

Roof man

- 1. Assist with set-up of aerial device
- 2. If an AFA will stay with apparatus
- 3. Responsibility for vertical ventilation
- 4. If no vertical ventilation is needed will assist the OVM
- Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. Portable saw with correct blade for roof
 - d. Hook
 - e. Hand tools based on job
 - f. Hand light
 - g. Roof Rope

Outside vent man (OVM)

- 1. Responsibilities for providing horizontal ventilation from exterior of building (fire floor and floor above fire)
- 2. Laddering the building to provide means of egress
- 3. If an AFA will stay with apparatus
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear
 - b. Portable radio
 - c. X-Lock pike pole
 - d. Hand light

Position #4 (Bars man and/or Can-man)

Bars man

- 1. Responsibilities for providing forcible entry for engine company & assist with search & rescue.
- 2. Will investigate AFAs with Officer
- 3. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable Radio
 - c. Hand tools for entry based on building type (at minimum halligan and axe)
 - d. Hand light

Can-man

- 1. Responsibilities for search and rescue
- 2. Contain fire until hose team has stretched a line and are in place
- 3. Responsibilities for checking for fire extension.
- 4. Tools:
 - a. Full Turnout Gear w/SCBA
 - b. Portable Radio
 - c. Water can
 - d. Hook
 - e. Thermal Imaging Camera
 - f. Hand light

Roof man and Bars man are to be filled first prior to Can-man and Outside Vent man.

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