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I) PURPOSE/SCOPE/APPLICATION

- A) The purpose of this Standard Operating Guideline is to identify how the District Assistance Team (DAT) will integrate into the requesting agencies operations.
- B) This guideline shall address the DAT team leaders role in operations, who is responsible for overall incident command and post incident reporting.
- C) This Standard Operating Guideline will be applied for all District 14 Assistance Teams activities.

II) REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

- A) The Fire District 14 Assistance Team (DAT) will respond as a Regional (Type 4) Incident Management Assistance Team, and has the ability to function for a 12 hour “operation period”.
- B) Overall command of any incident will remain with the Local Jurisdiction. The District 14 Assistance Team will provide support and consultation to the IC/UC and will assume command over any incident only by delegation of authority from the local AHJ

III) DEFINITIONS

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IV) SPECIALIZED ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A) All members shall be responsible for enforcing this SOG

V) SAFETY

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A) Response of the D14 DAT will typically be for low frequency/high risk event. Safety of all members is paramount. Members activated will follow ICS, maintain accountability and maintain the chain of communications.

VI) ENFORCEMENT

- A) Failure to understand this Standard Operating Guideline may result in disciplinary action.
- B) Any deviation from this Standard Operating Guideline may require a written report to the Chief overseeing the team and or the District 14 Chair.
- C) This policy is for internal use only and does not enlarge an employee's civil liability in any way. The policy should not be construed as creating a higher duty of care, in an evidentiary sense, with respect to third party civil claims against employees. A violation of this policy, if proven, can only form the basis of a complaint by this department for non-judicial administrative action in accordance with the laws governing employee discipline.

VII) STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINE

- A) Incident and Event Integration.
 - (a) The Fire District 14 - DAT will operate within the Incident Command System (ICS) as established by the Local Incident Commander. The DAT will NOT assume command and control of any incident where DAT services are requested. Overall command will remain with the Local Jurisdiction.
 - (b) All DAT personnel will report to the Command Post upon arrival on-scene unless directed otherwise.

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- (c) The Incident Commander and DAT Leader will arrange a team briefing. Attendance at the team briefing will consist of the IC, established Command and General Staff positions and the D14 DAT. The local IC will identify the conditions, actions and needs of the incident. Upon this briefing members will be assigned positions of responsibility based on priorities of the incident set by the IC and capabilities of team members.
- (d) Members of the D14 DAT may be assigned Command Staff, General Staff, Deputy Staff positions or other functional assignments as determined by the Incident Commander.
- (e) Within one week of activation, each member will submit a written narrative of their actions to the Team Leader. The Team Leader will provide copies of reports to the local IC for their records.

VIII) RECORDS, REPORTS, CHARTS, FORMS

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