

Grissettown Longwood Fire & Rescue

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this document is to insure that all members understand the department's accountability system while operating on an emergency incident or at training sessions.

2. REFERENCES

- 2.1 North Carolina Fire and Rescue Commission Department Occupational Safety and Health Program for Fire Departments and Rescue Squads, Subpart L, Accountability , Section 1910.156, Chapter 6, Section 6-3, Accountability.
- 2.2 Current edition of the National Fire Protection Association's 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health, Section 1910.156, Chapter 6, Section 6-3, Accountability.
- 2.3 Current edition of the National Fire Protection Association's 1561 Standard on Fire Department Incident Management System, Section 1910.156, Chapter 2, Section 2-6, Personnel Accountability.
- 2.4 Current edition of the National Fire Protection Association's 1403 Standard on Live Fire Training Evolution's

3. OSHA REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 The department shall establish written standard operating procedures for a personnel accountability system in accordance with Section 4-3 of NFPA 1561, Standard on Fire Department Incident Management System that provides for the tracking and inventory of all members operating at an emergency incident.

4. REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

- 4.1 Current edition National Fire Protection Association 1500

4.2 Current edition National Fire Protection Association 1561

4.3 Current edition National Fire Protection Association 1403

5. PROCEDURE

- 5.1 All department members will participate in training on the department's accountability system.
- 5.2 The accountability system will be used on all emergency incidents and all training where members need to be accounted for (such as live burn evolution's, confined space, etc.)
- 5.3 All members when operating on emergency incidents will follow and abide by the accountability system.
- 5.4 The incident commander will be responsible for the overall accountability of personnel operating at the incident.
- 5.5 The incident Commander will initiate an accountability inventory worksheet at the very beginning of operations and will maintain that system throughout the operations.
- 5.6 The lead Instructor on Live Burn evolution's, confined space and other training exercises that require an accountability system will initiate an accountability and inventory worksheet at the beginning of the exercise and maintain that system throughout the operations.
- 5.7 Officers that are supervising crews at emergency incidents will be responsible for the accountability of those personnel operating under them, and will immediately report any discrepancies to the Incident Commander.
- 5.8 Every member shall have an accountability card/tag.
- 5.9 Upon responding to any incident that may involve the use of accountability, the driver shall collect everyone on his/her apparatus and attach the cards/tags to the appropriate ring and pass the card/tag to the incident commander or his/her designee on arrival.