



HAZMAT AWARENESS AND OPERATIONS

SCOPE

This guideline applies to all operational members of the Stoney Point Fire Department and shall be adhered to by all operational members.

PURPOSE

To establish the procedures for conducting the Hazardous Materials training required of emergency response personnel assigned to Stoney Point Fire Department.

DEFINITIONS

Shall - indicates a mandatory requirement

Member – any career, volunteer, staff, and auxiliary personnel affiliated with the department

Guideline - a general rule, principle, outline of a policy

Hazardous Materials – materials that pose a health hazard, life threat or environmental danger if not mitigated

GUIDELINES

Hazardous Materials responses are potentially dangerous to emergency responders and shall require specific training for effective and safe management. All Stoney Point Fire Department response personnel shall be certified at the HAZMAT Operations level. This is a requirement to operate at any motor vehicle accident, hazardous materials spill, gas leak or Carbon Monoxide alarm call. Additionally, all response personnel shall complete a minimum of 20 hours of Hazardous Materials in service training annually to maintain the currency of their HAZMAT certifications.

HAZMAT Awareness Level Training – training provided for a basic understanding of hazardous materials, basic procedures, identification, and the use of DOT manuals

HAZMAT Operations Level Training – training provided for a basic understanding of HAZMAT mitigation techniques, incident stabilization, decontamination, and control techniques. Operations Level Firefighters can assist HAZMAT Technicians in specialized HAZMAT operations

HAZMAT In Service Training – training that provides a refresher of existing HAZMAT knowledge and skills

References

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