

District Chief Meeting Talking Points  
**May 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> 2018 Meetings**

**Administration**

- Administration discussed Executive Order 94 Post Accident Testing Procedure.
- Post-accident alcohol and drug testing should be administered within two (2) hours following the accident.
- Criteria for testing includes:
  - Employee may be at fault **AND** the accident involves a fatality.
  - Employee may be at fault **AND** any individual was injured severely enough to receive medical treatment away from the scene of the accident.
  - Employee may be at fault **AND** the accident resulted in disabling damage to any vehicle (Disabling damage is **ANY** damage that makes the vehicle illegal to drive).
  - Reasonable suspicion.
- Call Fire Dispatch if member meets the testing requirements:
  - The need for a member to be tested.
  - The location where testing is to take place at COSH center located at 605 Bannock St.
  - If the member is injured the testing will be done at the treating ER, COSH collector can conduct the test at any Denver area Hospital.
- Voluntary Testing
  - A member who does not meet the requirements for testing per EO 94 cannot be ordered to be tested.
  - Any member who wishes to voluntarily test shall fill out the Employee Waiver which is now included in the accident packet.
- New Accident packet will be available on the downloadable forms soon. Make sure the packets are filled out completely.
- FCM will be sent out once the forms are completed on-line.
- DPD statement form for any incident is now on downloadable forms under operations.

**Fire Watch After Fires**

- Rigs on large fires are not required to maintain the chain of custody. They are only needed to monitor for a rekindle and put out fires.
  - If a company is assigned fire watch, and they have been released from the scene, they need to inform Arson prior to leaving to ensure Arson is on scene to maintain chain of custody.
  - Ops companies should not be used for extended fire watch for custody purposes.

**DFD Fire Protection Engineers and Arson Investigators PPE at incidents**

- When entering a building post incident all members should be wearing the appropriate PPE. If a helmet is warranted by our companies then the IC should expect the same from these groups. Arson Investigators wear respirators versus SCBA.

### **District Chiefs PPE at incidents**

- All District Chiefs are expected to be in full PPE at emergency incidents.

### **Command Officer Staff Roles at Incidents**

- All Divisions will work to create a checklist for their support staff and how to use them when responding to a greater alarm fire.
- Expectations of each Division when arrive on scene.
- Operations will send support member to OEM if the EOC is activated and will communicate directly with them.
- District Chief would like to see consistency in the roles assigned to each Division.
- Working on the best way to use command staff when they arrive on scene.

### **RIT Teams**

- Reinforce to members to announce on scene as RIT versus their rig identification.

### **PAR's**

- Make sure that your members are reporting all information during a PAR including location, assignment and how many members.

### **Charlie Side vs. Charlie Division**

- Take charge of your division, can be a company officer.
- Do not refer to yourself as "Charlie Side". If a Division has not been created, then your radio designation will remain your assigned position. (Chief 2, Engine 10 etc.)

### **Injured Members requiring transport**

- **Company Officer's Role-** Fire companies should accompany a transported member to DHMC when appropriate, and the officer should assist with the member check in. Going to the ambulance side will get immediate attention.
- **District Chief's Role-** The District Chief and Shift Commander will go to DHMC as well to check on them. Speak with the member if available prior to any notification of family members. Ultimately, we want the member to make the decision if/when to contact family.

### **Command Van at Greater Alarm Incidents**

- Currently working on getting the van updated, which will include mobile terminals and a restroom.
- Van is currently located at Station 18 and will be driven by someone from Tech Services Division if available.

### **Tablet Command (TC)**

- TC webinar tutorial will be scheduled soon.
- Operations is looking into new cases for the current i-Pad, and new i-pad Pro's.

- District 2 will be testing the use of a modified duty member to assist as Chief driver and with TC on incidents.

### **Chief 7 Move from Station 23 to Station 28**

- Chief 7 will move from 23's to 28's as of May 21st.
- Ready Reserve has moved from 28's to 25's as of March 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **District 7 5" Hose on Engine**

- 5" hose will move from Engine 28 to Engine 25 soon.

### **New DFD Stations**

- Station 39 will have ground breaking on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 9150 Central Park Blvd. - Engine 26 will be there.
  - 39's will include an Engine company and Rescue 2.
- Station 40- 72<sup>nd</sup> Tower Road
  - Part of the GO Bond money- Station 40 is 22 out of 213 on the project list and is currently in a six-year plan to completion.

### **Dispatch**

- Companies are not answering their radios- currently working to come up with a solution that will benefit both dispatch and members.
- Any complaints for dispatch need to come directly from the District Chief or Shift Commander.
- Reiterate to all company officers to contact their DC directly to address any issue, they should not be contacting dispatch directly.
- If a company is being relocated, make sure all members know they need to communicate to their DC where they will be, no matter what time of day/night.
- All companies will be alerted on multi-alarm fires.

### **Alert Tones**

- Trial period has ended, and there was one (1) recommendation to remove firehouse pulsating alert tones.
- Alert tones will remain on air.

### **Warehouse**

- Any member currently experiencing issues with the stitching on 6 pocket cargo pants, please email [Daniel.peyrouse@denvergov.org](mailto:Daniel.peyrouse@denvergov.org).

### **Culture of Cadets/Gifting**

- Cadets are no longer allowed to bring gifts/desserts to the firehouses. Please remind your members that Cadets will not be bringing any gifts/desserts when they arrive for ride along.

