



**GLASTONBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES**



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SUBJECT: STAGING
RELATED GUIDELINES: FDO-001, FDO-002, FDO-003, FDO-004, FDO-005, FDO-006, FDO-008, FDO-009

Section I – Introduction

A. Objectives

The objective of Staging is to provide a standard system of initial placement for responding apparatus, personnel and/or equipment prior to tactical assignment.

B. Applicability

Relates to an area designated as a located to position additional resources and manpower in reserve.

C. References

Town of Manchester Fire-Rescue-EMS – General Operating Guideline

Section I – Guidelines

Apparatus, personnel and/or equipment shall stage as defined in the Standard Operating Guidelines or per direction of an Incident Commander or Staging Officer.

Section II – General

LEVEL I Staging is the initial placement of apparatus, personnel and/or equipment at a multiple unit response. Level-I staging goes into effect at every emergency incident when more than one unit is dispatched.

LEVEL II Staging refers to creating an on-scene reserve of apparatus, personnel and/or equipment. Level-II staging is generally utilized at large, complex field operations. Level-II staging is situated in an area away from the Command Post and the immediate emergency scene; and the Incident Commander or Staging Officer shall be responsible for designating the location of the staging area.

All Department and Mutual-Aid apparatus and/or personnel directed to a staging area shall, once arrived, retain their integrity and be available for immediate deployment.

Personnel may be staged; individually or by crew, near the Command Post following their arrival by means other than department vehicles, post-rehab or post-detail.

More specific staging instruction may be offered in specific emergency operations categories.

Section III- Approval

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