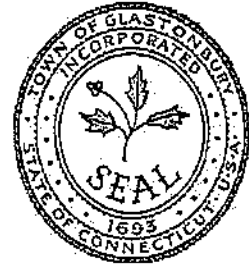




**GLASTONBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES**



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CATEGORY: EMERGENCY OPERATIONS - GENERAL
SUB-CATEGORY: 2 IN/2 OUT
SUBJECT: EXCEPTIONS
RELATED GUIDELINES: FDO-201; FDO-202; FDO-203; FDO-204; FDO-206; FDO-207

Section I – Introduction

A. Objective

To identify the circumstances when 2 OUT is not necessary.

B. Applicability

All interior certified firefighters of the Glastonbury Fire Department when the incident involves an IDLH atmosphere or incipient stage of a fire.

C. References

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

Section II – Guideline

It shall not be necessary to assemble a 2OUT crew in the following circumstances.

GUIDELINE

If upon arrival on scene there is “nothing showing” and a team is deployed to investigate the source of alarm or the claim of alarm there shall be no requirement to assemble at least four (4) responders or to establish a 2OUT team:

If there is no suspected, potential or actual IDLH there shall be no requirement to assemble a 2OUT crew.

If, upon arrival, responders find a fire in its incipient stage, extinguishment of such a fire shall be permitted with less than four (4) members and without a 2OUT crew.

Extinguishment of outside fires such as dumpsters, brush or vehicles shall be permitted with less than four (4) members and a 2OUT crew *even if SCBA is being worn.*

If, upon arrival at the scene, responders find an imminent life-threatening situation or a highly probable life threatening situation where immediate action may prevent the loss of life or serious injury, offensive action shall be permitted with less than four (4) members and a 2OUT crew when the probability of rescue is made in accordance with normal size-up indicators and fire ground evaluation factors.

The IC shall evaluate the situation, considering the occupancy, time, day, reports from persons on the scene, signs that persons may be in structure, etc. In the absence of clear signs or a report from a responsible person it is to be assumed *that no life hazard exists* and interior attack shall not be initiated until the formation of a 2OUT and entry team.

At no time, using this exemption, will a crew of less than two (2) be permitted to enter a structure or IDLH.

For any entry made into an IDLH without a 2OUT (appropriate or inappropriate) the Incident Commander shall document the circumstances of the event outlining the reasons, rationale, justification (or lack of) and end result of the deviation from the Standard Operating Guidelines on 2OUT. All information in the report shall be of enough depth so as to provide a comprehensive understanding of the actions taken. This report shall be forwarded, in an extremely timely manner, to the Chief of the Department.

Section III- Approval

Fire Chief

Michael P. Kelly

Date of Approval:

1/11/14