



GLASTONBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT  
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES



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SUB-CATEGORY: FIRE GROUNDS OPERATIONS  
SUBJECT: WITHDRAW  
RELATED GUIDELINES: FDO-502, FDO-503

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Section I - Introduction

A. Objective

The purpose of this guideline is to identify a method and a means to advise firefighters of the need to withdraw from a hostile environment.

B. Applicability

*Withdraw* shall be the acknowledged term to advise firefighters that a situation requires an orderly evacuation of themselves and their equipment from a structure or other hazardous environment.

C. References

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

Section II – Guideline

This transmission will indicate to all units, crews, and fire dispatcher that an Incident Commander or Safety Officer has determined that all operating personnel shall withdraw themselves and their equipment from interior assignment. The acceptable transmission from Command shall be (example: "All units operating on Main Street are advised to *Withdraw*".) The message will then be repeated by Command.

Following *Withdraw*, a complete PAR will be conducted to assure accountability.

Section III- Approval

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