

# ABINGTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### OG - 400-103

## Fireground Emergencies – Incident Evacuation Plan

## **1.0 PURPOSE**

This plan is to be used to when it is necessary to immediately evacuate an unsafe building and/or incident area.

### 2.0 RESPONSIBILITY

The responsibility to ensure that the actions described in this procedure are carried out belongs to the following.

- 1.1 Company Members
- 1.2 Company Officers

### **3.0 PROCEDURE**

- **3.1** The Incident Commander activates the plan by broadcasting to the EDS or other dispatch center in use, and all units on scene the following statement:
  - 3.1.1 "Command to county and all units operating at (name of incident) Evacuate Immediately"
- **3.2** The EDS or other dispatch center in use will sound the evacuation alert tone and rebroadcast this statement on all monitored potentially involved frequencies (Fire, Police, EMS, Other) and by alpha pagers. This will be repeated in two minutes by the dispatcher.
- **3.3** ALL vehicle operators should sound their airhorn devices simultaneously and continuously for a fifteen second period.
- **3.4** Upon the command "EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY", all personnel should leave the affected area.
- **3.5** A Personnel Accountability Roll Call (PAR) should be conducted using the Fire Ground Accountability Guidelines. (400-102)
- **3.6** The Evacuation plan should be used only for emergency evacuation, not to implement a change in strategy.
- **3.7** Upon the Incident Commander's decision to resume operations, it will be announced via radio with attention to EDS or other dispatch center.

#### 4.0 RECORDS

- 4.1 Master Document Listing
- 4.2 Fireground Accountability Guidelines (400-102)
- 4.3 Montgomery County EDS Fire Radio Procedure (500-101)