

PURPOSE

- **Uniform For All City Fire Companies**
- **To Account For All Firefighters**
 1. Working In “Hot Zone”
 2. Supporting Fireground Activities

APPLIES TO :

- **All Incidents To Which MFD Responds**
 - Within Jurisdictional Area
 - When Responding Outside Jurisdiction
- **All Personnel**
 - City Officers
 - Firefighters From All City Companies
 - Individual Firefighters Assisting From Other Departments
- **Field Training Activities**

DOES NOT APPLY TO :

- **Other Departments Operating At City Incidents**
 - They Will Use Their Own Accountability Systems

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

- **Conducted At Company Level**
- **At Least Twice Each Year**

Made Be Part Of Other Training

DEFINITIONS

- **Hot Zone**

IDLH Or Potential To Become IDLH

SCBA Required

Other Potential Dangers

Confined Space

Firefighter Could Become Disoriented / Lost

Firefighter Could Become Trapped

- **Cold Zone**

Everywhere Else

TWO LEVELS OF ACCOUNTABILITY

1. “On – Scene” Apparatus Accountability Bar

Used At All Incidents And Field Training

Located On Driver’s Side Compartments Of Apparatus

Two Positions Listed On Bar

Cold Zone

Hot Zone / Staging

Tracked By Company Accountability Officer

2. Hot Zone Accountability Board

Carried On Each Apparatus

Portable Board To Track Crews By Location

Used Whenever There Is A Hot Zone

Tracked By Hot Zone Accountability Officer

May Be More Than One At Incident

FIREFIGHTER TAGS (2)

- **One For The On – Scene Accountability Board**
- **One For Hot Zone Accountability Board**
- **Kept On Helmet**

PROCEDURES

a. First Apparatus Arrives On Scene

Performs Size – up

Designates Incident Commander (IC)

Defines Hot Zone Accountability, Appoints Officer

b. Other Arriving Apparatus, Officers

Officer In Charge (OIC) Appoints Company
Accountability Officer

c. Firefighters Arrive On Scene

Tag In At Apparatus Accountability Bar

Usually On Own Company Rig, But May Be On Others
If Own Rig Has Not Arrived Or Is Too Far Away

Must Tag In On Apparatus From Which SCBA Is Taken

Could I End Up In Hot Zone ? If Yes, Place Tag In Hot
Zone. If “No,” Place Tag In Cold Zone

If Hot Zone, Proceed To Hot Zone For Staging Or
Assignment;

If Cold Zone, Retain Second Tag

PROCEDURES (Continued)

d. Hot Zone Activity

Firefighters stage and await assignment to a team

Firefighters attach second tag to team leader's tag

Team leader gives tag to Hot Zone Accountability Officer

Accountability Officer Logs Time In And Team Location

Be certain that AT LEAST ONE team member has radio

When task complete, entire team returns together and retrieve tags from Hot Zone Accountability Officer

Team members remain in staging area for another assignment or notify Hot Zone Accountability Officer and return to apparatus for Cold Zone activities

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

> Incident Commander

Defines Hot Zone

Designates Hot Zone Accountability Officer

> Operations Officer

Works With Hot Zone Accountability Officer To Establish Teams

Manages Team Leaders, Determines Tactics

➤ **Safety Officer**

Ensures That Accountability System Is Implemented

Ensures Other Firefighter Safety

➤ **Hot Zone Accountability Officer**

Maintains Accountability In Hot Zone For Teams
He Is Tracking

➤ **Company Accountability Officer**

Tracks Cold Zone

