

3.4.4.1 Operating with Hazmat Teams



YOUR ORGANIZATION
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1.0 POLICY REFERENCE

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2.0 PURPOSE

This standard operating procedure/guideline addresses pre-designated procedures for working with a hazmat team.

3.0 SCOPE

This SOP/SOG pertains to all personnel in this organization.

4.0 DEFINITIONS

These definitions are pertinent to this SOP/SOG.

5.0 PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES & INFORMATION

5.1 Pre-Designated Procedures for Working with a Hazmat Team:

Response Phase:

- The local fire department having jurisdiction over the location where the substance release occurred senior fire officer on-scene will assign Incident Command (IC) to their senior fire officer on-scene.
- The IC will assess the substance release situation and determine the following:
 1. Substance identification
 2. Quantity of substance released
 3. Level of response
 4. Air, ground and water contamination concerns
 5. Evacuation concerns
 6. Alerting and notification methods
 7. Mutual aid requirements (if known).
- The IC will convey his assessment to the Communications Center (911) and/or EOC as soon as practical.
- Request Hazardous Materials Team thru Emergency Management Director. (EM director has authorized the City Fire Department Shift Commanders to deploy/ activate the county Hazardous Materials team in case the director is unavailable or cannot be reached.)
- Coordinate with the County Haz Mat team and provide support:
 - Perform emergency rescue.
 - Provide medical treatment as necessary.
 - Fight fires.
 - Ensure safety of responders.
 - Provide decon
- If level of training is appropriate, provide decontamination procedures.