

Decatur Township Fire Department

Directive One

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: June 15, 2009

Re: Mandatory Use of the Exhaust Removal System

Attention all personnel,

The *Exhaust Removal System* that is currently installed at Station 74 (and soon to be installed at the new Station 72) is to be utilized every time there is a vehicle operating inside the bay.

All apparatus shall be connected to the *Exhaust Removal System* at all times while inside the bay. This system is designed to capture 100% of the vehicle's emissions prior to their release into the environment.

Exposure to diesel exhaust causes serious health problems, including cancer, cardiac illnesses, respiratory problems and other serious health issues. Diesel exhaust contains over 100 individual hazardous chemical components.

It is the responsibility of the Officer or Acting Officer to ensure this is followed at all times.

If you have any questions please give me a call.

*Thank you,
John Morel
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Decatur Township Fire Department

Directive Two

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: September 30, 2009

Re: Electric meters

Effective Immediately,

The Decatur Township Fire Department will no longer pull any electric meters from a structure. Whenever possible, incoming power will be disconnected from the primary circuit breaker panel utilizing the "Main "breaker. In the event an exterior main switch and/or lever are present, this may be thrown to de-energize the service panel. Under no circumstances will a service panel cover or meter be removed by anyone other than authorized personnel.

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Directive Three

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: November 06, 2009

Re: Policy for using reserve apparatus as Aerial 71

The following policy will be used when AR71 is running out of a reserve apparatus.

R71 – Used for short term switches, less than 24 hours or if nothing else is available. The designation R71 will be used and shown as covering AR71. Officers should notify mutual aid battalions they are in a reserve without ladders.

E73 – This should be the primary apparatus used (it does have ground ladders). The designation AR71 will be used. We are not using reserve designation therefore a third “ladder” will not be started. However when responding to a mutual aid run, officers should notify the responding battalion you are “ground ladders only”.

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Directive Four

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: August 04, 2010

Re: Mandatory Installation of the Drag Rescue Device (DRD)

Attention all personnel,

The Drag Rescue Device (DRD) was integrated into the design of Morning Pride personal protective equipment as a safety device to aid in the rescue and removal of a firefighter in an emergency situation.

To ensure the continued safety of our employees, it shall be mandatory for all personnel to install and maintain the DRD included in their personal protective equipment.

It is the responsibility of each employee to ensure that the Drag Rescue Device (DRD) is installed correctly inside their personal protective equipment at all times.

If you have any questions please give me a call.

Thank you,

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Directive Six

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: December 6, 2010

Re: Using Fractional Mileage for Documentation on ePCR

Effective Immediately:

Begin using fractional numbers when documenting mileage to the hospital.

Crews will need to use the Trip Odometer to obtain the fractional mileage.

Example One:

Step 1 Record the actual mileage on the ePCR in the enroute to hospital field.

Step 2 Prior to leaving the scene reset the trip odometer to zero.

Step 3 At the hospital record the actual mileage and include the decimal and 1/10

32587	Beginning Miles as recorded on the ePCR
+12.5	Actual Miles from the Trip Odometer
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32599.5	Ending Miles as recorded on the ePCR with the fraction added

Example Two:

Step 1 Prior to departing the scene for the hospital set the trip odometer to "zero".

Step 2 Record the actual miles traveled when you arrive at the hospital (i.e. 15.7).

Step 3 Switch back to the odometer and record the ending miles

Step 4 Subtract actual miles traveled from the odometer to obtain your beginning miles

Odometer at the hospital:	32587	Record in Ending Miles
Actual miles traveled	- 15.7	
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	32571.3	Record in Beginning Miles

*Chuck Valentine
Deputy Chief
Decatur Township Fire Department*

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Directive

To: All Decatur Township Fire Department Personnel

Date: December 6, 2010

Re: Awards Banquet

We will not be having any alcoholic beverages during dinner and the awards portion of our awards banquet on December 10th. We will have alcoholic beverages during the time the band will be playing from 21:00 to midnight.

With all the publicity of drinking by Public Safety workers while on duty or in uniform over the past several months I feel this is in the best interest of the Fire Department.

We do have a policy # 1.16 Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages

Sec. III Policy

B. Fire Department personnel are strictly prohibited from consuming alcoholic beverages while on duty

E. No employee in uniform may consume alcoholic beverages, even when off duty.

We are having an outside MC for the first time from Channel 6 and feel this is in the best interest of the organization.

I would appreciate if everyone would wear their Class A uniforms for dinner and the awards portion of the evening.

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