



Roosevelt Fire District
Standard Operating Guidelines

Section:
Operations

Guideline 5:
Communications

Purpose: To establish a guideline for communications within the Roosevelt Fire District, as well as the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response and mutual aid departments.

Scope: This guideline shall be followed by all members of the department while utilizing any communications equipment.

Equipment:

1. All officers of the Roosevelt Fire District shall be issued a portable radio, when available
2. All apparatus in the Roosevelt Fire District shall have at least ONE mobile radio and Portable radio. Others may be added at the discretion of the Chief of the Department.
3. Personal radios, mobile or portable, are allowed after approval by the Chief of the Department or his designee.

Procedure:

1. All members shall be familiar with the standard radio procedures for fire and EMS operations, including the Dutchess County mayday procedure, as established by the Department of Emergency Response (REVISED 3/07).
2. All apparatus mobile radios shall be set to Dutchess County 911 Response channel.
3. All portable radios shall be set to Dutchess County 911 Fireground T/A 6
4. All operating crews shall have at least ONE member, Officer or Firefighter, with a working portable radio.
5. The Incident Commander, upon their arrival, shall determine the need for and request a channel for fireground operation from Dutchess County 911
6. Any incident where multiple operations channels are warranted, the Incident Commander shall request such from Dutchess County 911
7. The Roosevelt Fire District repeater channel is NOT an approved fireground operations channel, unless requested by the Incident Commander.
8. Any incident where the media is present, all information is to be released by a chief officer or the officer in charge. Information regarding any incident is to be kept confidential by all members of the department unless released by the chief of the department or their designee.
9. All members utilizing department communications equipment shall adhere to the standard radio procedures as referenced in paragraph # 1 of this document.

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