

San Mateo County Fire Service POLICIES AND STANDARDS MANUAL

Title: Command Vehicle Standardization

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Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to establish a minimum standard for equipment and administrative forms carried by each operational command vehicle in San Mateo County.

Policy: It is the policy of the San Mateo County Fire Chiefs that this standard is to be adhered to by all departments in order to provide a high level of operational capability for each command vehicle and to provide a level of compatibility between command vehicles.

Background: There are functional expectations of each Command Vehicle operating at the scene of an emergency. Command Vehicles are expected to operate as Incident Command Posts and also support command functions at an incident.

Standard:

1. The following list is the minimum required equipment for each Command Vehicle:

- 2 – Mobile radios inside the Command Vehicle (with remotes to the rear of the vehicle)
- 1 – Additional mobile radio in the back. (Used for the Stand-by Tactical) Note: This radio should be added when command vehicles newly purchased or upgraded.
- 2 – Portable radios (minimum) with spare batteries
- 2 – Wildland portable radios (Wide & Narrow band capable, plus field programmable)
- 1 – Pager assigned to the vehicle
- 1 – Cell phone (Assigned to the Vehicle with hands free capabilities. Vehicle Code 7-1-2008)
- 1 – PA system or bull horn
- 1 – 4-gas monitor
- 1 – Radiation monitor
- 1 – Digital Camera
- 1 – Disposable Camera
- 1 – Binoculars
- 1 – Flashlight or hand lantern
- 1 – Timing device (stop watch, clock, etc.)

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- 1 – First aid kit
- 1 – MCI kit
- 1 – Case of bottled water
- 1 – Mark I kit
- 1 – Roll of yellow caution tape
- 1 – Roll of red danger tape
- 1 – Roll of Life Safety Tape
- 1 – Bag of flares
- 1 – ABC Fire Extinguisher
- 1 – Set of jumper cables
- 1 – Lock Box Keys (I.e. Knox or Supra Box Keys for local jurisdiction)
- 1 – Set of ICS vests
- 1 – Set of ICS identifiers that go over air bottles (OPS, Divisions, Safety, RIC Group Sup)
- 1 – T-Card organization system
- 1 – SCBA with mask

2. The following is a list of the minimum required forms to be carried on each Command Vehicle:

Vehicle Registration
Vehicle Insurance

SM County Greater Alarm Plan
SM County Policies and Procedures

Thomas Bros. Map Book (San Mateo County & State of California Map Book)

Strike Team Forms
Firescope FOG manual
T-cards (extras for personnel)

ICS Forms (On CD which can be printed from the vehicle or hard copies carried in the vehicle)

ICS 201 Incident Briefing form
ICS 202 Incident Objectives
ICS 203 Organization Assignment List
ICS 204 Division/Group Assignment list (Need many of these)
ICS 205 Comm. Plan
ICS 206 Medical Plan

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ICS 214 Unit Log

All SM County RIC forms
IC/Operations Section Chief RIC worksheet
RIC Group Supervisor RIC Worksheet
RIC Branch Director Worksheet
RIC Group Supervisor Air Management

Hazardous Material Response Guide
ICS Position checklists
SFO response map

SM County BART manual

Critical Fireground Factors List
Pencils, pens, dry erase pen, etc.
Clipboards

Pre-plans of Local Target Hazards

3. The following is a list of recommended equipment that should be carried on the Command Vehicle:

Computer with rear screen system, CAD link, and Internet access
Printer
Thermal Imaging Camera
GPS
Work area with desktop
Box of tools (screw driver, Phillips, crescent wrench, hex tool, wire cutters, etc.)
Bolt cutters
Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)
VO Monitor
Fire Investigation Forms