



Buxton Fire-Rescue

Standard Operating Guideline

Subject: Traffic Safety (1)

Section: Fire Police General Operations (2)

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Purpose:

To establish a guideline for safe operations of Fire Police Personnel.

Mission Statement:

The mission of Buxton Fire-Rescue Fire Police is to provide the safest environment for Fire Police, Fire-Rescue, Police personnel and the public at emergency scenes or community events.

Motto:

Be Prepared for What You Do
Before You Get There
Be Safe

- Be ready, full PPE when you step out of your vehicle.
- If necessary, stop and dress before arriving at scene.

Fire Police Yearly Requirements

All mandatory training as required by the department either in person or online.

- Total of 8 hours of training per year
- 4 of the 8 hours must be in house training
 - 6 hours job task training
 - 2 hours practical road training

Personal Protective Equipment

Summer PPE

Day Time

F/P Light Ansi Vest
F/P Ansi Pants
Hunter Orange Gloves
Hard Hat with Reflective material
Stop/Slow Sign

Night Time

F/P Light Ansi Vest
F/P Ansi Pants
Hard Hat with Reflective material
Stop/Slow Sign
2 Hand Wands
Flash Light (White Light)

Winter PPE

Day Time

F/P Jacket, F/P Pants
Fire Vest
Knit Hat
Hard Hat with Reflective material
Orange Gloves
Stop/Slow Sign

Night Time

F/P Jacket, F/P Pants
Fire Vest
Knit Hat
Hard Hat with Reflective material
Heavy Gloves
2 Hand Wands
Flash Light (White Light)
Stop/Slow Sign

Not a Seal

Personal Vehicle Response:

- Buckle up driving to scene – obey all traffic and speed regulations; you are not an emergency vehicle.
- Arrive Safely.
- When running red dash or grill lights also use 4 way flashers.
- Prudent speed is required.

Positioning of Personal Vehicle:

- Same side as incident (headlights off) place POV behind cones.
- Do not use vehicle as a block!
- Radio in location and what you are doing:
 - Closing Road
 - Setting up single lane traffic – east bound (etc.)
- Always think safety, if it isn't safe, don't do it!

REGULATING TRAFFIC – ALWAYS STAY BEHIND CONES – ALWAYS FACE TRAFFIC – FULL PPE

Road Closure:

- Set up where traffic can reroute or turn around easily
- Set up cones
- Stop/Slow Sign on cones
- Use lollipop lights on cones day and night

Single Lane Setup

First – Close Road, then set up single lane as follows:

- Using farthest travel lane from scene
- Squeeze the lane – slow traffic
- Use part of travel lane and part of breakdown or shoulder
- Establish a straight line of cones
- Use cones from apparatus
- Taper into lane and taper out after scene
- Use lollipop lights on taper shifting one travel lane into another and also on the straight line of cones (if you have enough lights to do this)
- Flow traffic accordingly

Not a Seal

Restoring Normal Traffic Flow

- Close the road when picking up cones and lights
- Remove Stop Sign
- Always think Safety
- If it isn't safe, don't do it
- Usage – Stop/Slow Sign
- Road Closure: Place Stop Sign on Top of Cone
- Hard to see Stop/Slow sign at night for controlling traffic, *use lollipop lights*, use wands at night for traffic control

4x4 Emergency Scene Ahead Sign

Where: 1 sign rear of Engine 6
1 sign and stand under stairwell to Fire Police Office, Station 1
1 sign and stand far front corner Station 2

Placement: Depends of road speed

Less than 55 mph – 1000 feet – 750 feet
Greater than 55 mph – 1500 feet in advance of scene
Two barricades with supports located at each station

Survival Kit

SUMMER

Name, Telephone #
Medications
Medical Conditions
ICE – “In Case of Emergency”
 Contact Name and Phone
 Number
Water
Juice
Cracker, energy bar, life savers
Bug Spray, Sun Screen
Clothing: Jacket, Sweat Shirt
Cell Phone & Auto Charger

WINTER

Name, Telephone #
Medications
Medical Conditions
ICE – “In Case of Emergency”
 Contact Name and Phone
 Number
Water
Juice
Cracker, energy bar, life savers
Extra warm gloves & socks
Hand and Feet Warmers
Winter Jacket/Wool Sweater
Knit Hat
Face Mask/Nomex Hood
Cell Phone & Auto Charger
Ice Creepers (Traction Aid)
Extra Batteries

Not a Seal

Wand Signals at night

1. Stop - Cross Beams – as X – Start high and bring down to chest level before changing
2. Hold - One wand straight up – just one wand – hide other wand behind leg or back
3. Turn Right - Point to driver with wand #1 in left hand, wand #2 pointing right, move wand #1 to meet wand #2 ending with both wands together pointing right and slightly down
4. Turn Left - Point to driver with wand #1 in right hand, wand #2 pointing left, move wand #1 to meet wand #2 ending with both wands together pointing left and slightly down.
5. Proceed other lane - Hold both wands parallel and move in a diagonal/downward motion to shift to other lane.
6. If not directing traffic, wand lights should be off.

Lollipop Lights Guidelines for Traffic Cones Use Lights Both Day and Night

- Place lights no greater than every other cone (ideally).
 - Alternate: place one light facing E/N the other facing S/W etc. with red reflective tape on back side of each lollipop (Scene length may require greater spacing).
- Always place on taper of oncoming traffic as you shift it to another travel lane