

This guideline provides North Zone procedures for radio communication with Law Enforcement (L.E.) Agencies. This procedure is to be used when a fire unit is assigned to an incident in which the Law Enforcement Agency is responding or securing an incident scene for North Zone personnel entry.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Zone units may communicate with the L.E. Communication Center (Station M) or the patrol units directly. The following steps provide a basic guideline for communicating with L.E. resources.

- Select the appropriate L.E. talkgroup for specific (appropriate) Law Enforcement Agency
- Monitor radio for L.E. Emergency Traffic.
- If no L.E. “Emergency Traffic Notification” is heard after 30 seconds, contact L.E. Communication and advise them of status. If Emergency Traffic is heard, monitor L.E. TAC only and work through Dispatch regarding scene entry. Company Officers should give consideration to utilizing an additional radio to monitor communications on both L.E. and the assigned Agency Command Talkgroup.

Example: *Station M, “San Marcos Fire Engine 1411, staged at Autumn Drive and Pico Avenue reference the assault at 405 Autumn Drive. Which S.O. unit am I responding with?”* Station M will advise which Sheriff. unit to listen for, or will give additional instructions.

- The L.E. unit on the incident will advise L.E. Dispatch that either the scene is clear for the fire department to enter, or that the situation is Code 4/safe for entry. The L.E. unit may instruct North Zone units to come up on Agency L.E. TAC.
- All conversation is to be kept to a minimum.

ROUTINE CONTACT:

Routine radio contact should occur on a multi agency hailing talkgroup (**EOM 203.00**). Personnel may contact field units directly on TAC 90 if the talkgroup is free of law enforcement incident radio traffic. This may be helpful to company officers when awaiting Sheriff arrival at incidents.

	<u>VERBAL</u>	<u>DISPLAY</u>
Hailing Channel:	“County Call”	CMA 4A COCL
	“San Marcos City”	SMC SMCCITY

L.E. units have the entire CMA zone as well as SMC1 and SMC2 programmed in their radios.

SHERIFF RESPONSE AREAS:

Station 20:

Encinitas, Solana Beach, Del Mar, and Rancho Santa Fe

Station 30:

Fallbrook, Rainbow, Deluz, Bonsal, and Vista

Station 90:

San Marcos Sheriff Station, Area Command for the City of San Marcos, and the unincorporated areas of San Marcos, Escondido, Valley Center, and Hidden Meadows.

Emergency Traffic (ET):

When L.E. Field units request Emergency Traffic, a potentially dangerous situation exists. L.E. Dispatch will enable a tone that comes over the radio every 5 to 10 seconds. When this tone is heard, do not attempt to contact Station M.

Code 4:

No further assistance needed.

10-97:

At Scene

11-99:

Emergency – Officer needs help. ***Not OK to respond in.***