

This guideline provides North Zone personnel standardized company operations. These operations will accomplish the following:

- Assign basic fireground functions to companies based on capability.
- Assign major fireground functions to a particular company that can best accomplish the operation.
- Integrate the efforts of engine and truck companies to achieve effective rescue, fire control, and property conservation.
- Reduce the amount of time and communication required to get resources into assignments on the fireground.

Engine and truck companies will have the following standardized functions assigned to them:

ENGINE COMPANY FUNCTIONS:

- Search, rescue, and treatment
- Deploy hose lines
- Pump hose lines (Fire Stream Management)
- Operate nozzles

TRUCK COMPANY FUNCTIONS:

- Search, rescue, and treatment
- Utility control
- Extrication
- Forcible entry
- Lighting
- Raise ladders
- Operate elevated streams
- Ventilate
- Perform salvage and overhaul
- Provide access/check fire extension

QUINT COMPANY FUNCTIONS:

In the event of a quint company arrives first on scene without an engine company, the quint may assume engine company functions. Quint apparatus with pump, hose, water tank, ground

ladders, and elevated master stream capability should perform normal truck company functions on the fireground whenever possible.

BRUSH COMPANY FUNCTIONS:

- Progressive hose lay
- Structure protection
- Firing operations
- Overhaul
- Line construction

WHEN TO PERFORM ASSIGNED FUNCTIONS:

During initial response situations, first arriving engine and truck companies will automatically perform these functions unless otherwise directed.

This procedure does not limit a company to its listed functions. All companies will be expected to perform all basic functions within the limits of their capability, and it will be the on-going responsibility of the Incident Commander to integrate tasks and functions as required with the on-scene resources.

In the absence or delay of a truck company response, the Incident Commander should assign truck functions to an engine company (e.g., "Engine 1411 perform truck functions"). In such cases, engine companies will perform all truck company functions within the capability of their unit.

The assignment of these basic operations to engine and truck companies represents a standard fireground plan for tactical operations. It is designed to improve the effectiveness of all units working together. This plan should in no way limit the initiative of any Company Officer and should enhance the decision making process of all Officers by establishing a standard operational framework.