

Union County Standard Operating Guidelines
Fireground Operations

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FIREGROUND GUIDELINES

1. Intent

- a. The Fireground Guidelines will establish guidelines that can be utilized by personnel of Union County Fire Departments (UCFD's) in making decisions at the scene of a fire or emergency situation. Effective functioning at a scene requires clear decisive action and command responsibility.
- b. These guidelines can be employed to control the majority of emergency situations, but are not expected to encompass every situation. There may be times when good judgment or common sense may dictate a course of action contrary to these guidelines.

2. Purpose

- a. The Fire ground Guidelines will provide a uniform approach to a given emergency situation; explain the responsibilities of fire department personnel and what is expected of them.
- b. The guidelines identify the *Standard Operating Guidelines* to be employed by all emergency personnel when conducting emergency operations. Where there is a conflict between general and a specific requirement in this manual, the specific requirement shall prevail.
- c. Note: Any place in this Fire ground Guideline where a masculine pronoun is used, is intended to include both male and female genders unless otherwise stated