

Union County Standard Operating Guidelines
Incident Command System

Incident Command System, SOG 2.00

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Effective functioning at the scene of an emergency requires clear, decisive action and command responsibility. The Incident Command System will establish the procedures normally utilized in making decisions at the scene of a fire or other emergency situation. This system establishes guidelines that will be employed to control the majority of emergency situations.

The purpose of this guideline is to:

- Provide for the safety of personnel operating at emergency incidents through improved command and control (or management of emergencies).
- Improve the use of resources and tactical effectiveness.
- Meet NIMS/OSHA/EPA regulations requiring the use of an Incident Command System.
- Meet NFPA Standards 1026, 1500, and 1561 recommendations for the use of an Incident Command System for operations at all emergency incidents.