

Union County Standard Operating Guidelines
Incident Command System

Incident Command System 2.06

COMMAND RESPONSE GUIDELINES

1. Reasons for the Command Response

- a. The Incident Commander of all incidents, regardless of that person's rank, has the responsibility of taking care of various duties. These duties are, but are not limited to: Life Safety, Incident Stabilization, and Property Conservation. During the course of an incident, the I/C may feel that the emergency has escalated to a point where additional support for command staff positions may be/is needed.
- b. These staff positions could be Operations, Staging, Logistics, Planning, and Finance. These positions are the basic levels that are needed to fulfill the strategic incident command structure.
- c. It may also be necessary to have other key positions staffed thru this response.

2. Levels of Command Response

- a. Special Call Response: this type of response would generally be used when the I/C feels that only a limited number of staff officers will be needed to handle the incident.
- b. County Wide Response: this type of response would generally be used on a large-scale incident, when a great deal of command staff positions would need to be filled.

3. Command Response Assignment

It should be understood by all participants of the command response, that we will be used as a support resource and not as a replacement for the established Incident Commander.