LORAIN COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT Standard Operating Guidelines

Lorain County Technical Rescue Team Request Procedure SOG: 024

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1. PURPOSE

To define how the on-scene Incident Command (IC) should request a specific Lorain County Technical Rescue Team for incident assistance for county fire departments. Included in this SOG is information regarding the type of incident, scene, staging, and operations responsibilities of the requesting Fire Department and requested team.

DIVISIONS AFFECTED

- A. All Lorain County fire departments
- B. Lorain County 9-1-1
- C. Lorain County EMA

3. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. First responsibility is that the proper ICS/IMS has been established on scene of the emergency incident.
- B. Each fire department must ensure that their personnel are adequately trained, understand, and comply with this guideline.

4. PROCEDURE

- A. Requests for teams should be made immediately based on the nature of incident and initial information received.
- B. The jurisdiction's fire department shall be the authority in charge of the incident, thus making the request for Technical Rescue Team Assistance.

- C. To determine the need for Tech Team assistance, other agencies shall first request the response of their own jurisdiction's fire department to scene.
- C. Contact Lorain County 9-1-1 by phone or radio.
- D. The following information is needed
 - 1. Fire Department requesting assistance
 - 2. What Team(s) are being requested
 - Nature of Incident
 - 4. Incident address
 - 5. Staging location (address)
 - 6. Radio Frequency or TAC channel is assigned
 - 7. Phone number for command or off-radio communications
 - 8. Any additional instructions or critical information
- E. Technical Rescue Team Classifications
 - 1. Hazardous Materials
 - 2. Water Rescue (Includes Swiftwater and Dive Team)
 - 3. Technical Rescue
 - a. Trench Rescue
 - b. Confined Space Rescue
 - c. Rope Rescue
 - d. Structural Collapse Rescue or Search
 - e. Wide Area / Lost Person Search
- F. Technical Rescue Team Operations Guidelines
 - 1. Operates within the host fire department's Command Structure
 - 2. Team Leader or their designee will assume responsibility of Operations and fill critical team positions as needed.
 - 3. Incident Commander and Team Leader (Operations) will determine if an IMAT / County Command Group call-out is necessary or required.
 - 4. Host fire department will provide scene support as needed by the Tech Team.

- 5. Host fire department will assist in acquiring additional resources if needed.
- 6. Incident Command will demobilize resources as directed by the Tech Team Leader.