Egg Harbor Fire Department and First Responders
Standard Operating Guidelines

SUBJECT: SIZE-UP REPORT

PURPOSE: To have in place a policy for all personnel to follow when arriving on the scene of an emergency.

SCOPE: This policy shall apply to all members of the Egg Harbor Fire Department.

First arriving unit on scene of all incidents shall give an initial size-up report.

When giving a report of conditions upon arrival, the following information should be included:

1. The address or location, particularly if other than the one reported.
2. Building and occupancy description. Example: two story, wood frame house; two vehicle accident with minor or severe damage, etc.
3. Nature of call and/or extent of fire. Example: nothing showing; heavy smoke coming from the eaves; one acre grass fire; fire showing in two windows on first floor; fully engulfed, etc.
4. Rescue and exposure problems. Example: no exposures; LP gas tank exposure; exposures on two sides; people need to be evacuated; people trapped, etc.
5. Instructions to other units. Example: Stage at (location) and wait for orders; assist in ventilation (location); supply water to unit (identify); assist unit (identify) with fire attack, etc.