

Egg Harbor Fire Department & First Responders Standard Operating Guidelines

SUBJECT: NORTHERN DOOR MUTUAL AID RESPONSE
(Reference Northern Door Mutual Aid Agreement)

SOG 503A

PURPOSE: To establish a policy for Northern Door Mutual Aid fire calls.

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

DEFINITIONS: Mutual Aid: Aid rendered to any Northern Door Fire Department calling for assistance.

1. When a page is received for mutual aid, the following guidelines will be used.
 - A. At least one tanker will be dispatched automatically. Additional units may be dispatched upon request.
 1. Two firefighters should respond with the tanker.
 - B. Special request.
 1. Ladder 21 should respond with a minimum of four (4) firefighters and a Lieutenant or higher ranking Officer should supervise operations. Operation of the Ladder shall follow SOG 306 Aerial Ladder Operations and SOG 307 Basic Pumping.
 2. Unit 20 (brush rig) should respond with a minimum of four (4) firefighters.
 3. Fill site: Engine 5 or Engine 6 will respond to a requested fill site depending on which station is closer. Response should be with a minimum of three (3) firefighters to man the fill site. Pumping operations shall follow SOG307 Basic Pumping.
2. The Chief, Officer, or Firefighter in charge of the requesting Department shall direct the Chief, Officer or Firefighter in charge of the Egg Harbor Fire Department in which manner they may be of service at the fire scene. Our fire units and firefighters shall remain under the command of our Chief, Officer or Firefighter in charge, but will check-in with the requesting Department's Incident Commander, or other designee.

3. At no time shall the Town or Village of Egg Harbor be without fire protection when we respond to a mutual aid fire call. **At a minimum either Engine 5 or 6 must remain in the Township or Village.**
4. When requesting mutual aid the Incident Commander shall specify his mutual aid needs (i.e., specific apparatus, manpower, special equipment, air tanks, etc) The responding Chief, Officer or Firefighter in charge shall reserve the right to withhold certain requested equipment or manpower should he/her feel that his/her district's protection would be unreasonably jeopardized by such a request. The Incident Commander shall be notified.
5. The Egg Harbor Fire Department will not intentionally respond to a fire call in another District without a request for mutual aid. However, when in doubt to a fire call location in relation to fire districts borders, we will send a full response, until an exact location and jurisdiction is determined, or the responsible Department assumes responsibility for the call. The Door County Comm. Center should be notified immediately of such a mistaken dispatch, so the proper department can be alerted.