

Sanoca Rural Fire District, Inc.
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Emergency Operations

Fire Company Operations

Subject: Florescent Safety Vests

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PURPOSE

To establish Fire Department policy on the wearing of appropriate safety apparel on all outdoor incidents.

POLICY

- A. In order to provide greater safety and visibility for Sanoca Fire Department members, florescent safety vests **shall** be worn during day and night outdoor emergency incidents that do not require firefighter bunker coats. Outdoor Emergency Incidents are those that require emergency duties to be performed outside of a structure. Examples include, but are not limited to:
1. An emergency such as a service call in a traffic area or parking lot.
 2. A public service call such as a downed tree or power line.
 3. Setting up a landing zone for a helicopter.
 4. Re-packing hose lines while positioned in a street or in lanes of traffic.
 5. Other situations involving traffic or the need to readily identify emergency responders.
- B. The prescribed safety vests are those that are assigned to the apparatus.

RESPONSIBILITY

- A. Company Officers, as well as Firefighters, are responsible to make sure that they are attired properly to ensure high visibility and identity as an emergency responder.
- B. The Incident Commander shall determine the appropriate safety apparel and is responsible for ensuring that all personnel are dressed accordingly.
- C. Personnel operating within the Incident Command System and assigned to Command Staff or Sector positions are to be attired in the proper ICS vest and are not required to wear the florescent safety vest.