

San Mateo County Fire Service POLICIES AND STANDARDS MANUAL

Guideline: Type Code Response Standardization

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Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to recommend a minimum response configuration to common incident type codes.

Guideline: It is the recommendation of the San Mateo County Fire Chiefs that each jurisdiction standardize the resource response to common incident type codes.

Background: San Mateo County Fire Agencies utilize standardized responses to common incident type codes whenever possible to promote consistency amongst jurisdictions.

Standard: The SMC FC Operations Group recommends that fire agencies follow the minimum response to the following common incident type codes:

INCIDENT TYPE CODE	TRANSLATION	RESOURCE ALLOCATION
BOAT	Boat in distress	Tabled for WR committee
FA	Fire alarm	1E 1T 1B
FAW	Fire alarm water flow	1E 1T 1B
FAT	Fire alarm trouble	1E
FA, FAW, FAT at any Target Hazard (Agency Specific)	Any fire alarm at a target hazard	Minimum 1E 1T 1B up to full assignment
HMR	Hazmat response	Full assignment plus ambulance
LO	Lock out	1E or 1T
LOR	Lock out residential	1E or 1T
LOV	Lock out vehicle	1E or 1T
MF	Marine fire	Full assignment
ODOR	Odor investigation	1E or 1T
PA	Public assist	1E
PAW	Public assist – flooding	1E or 1T

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PAL	Public assist – ladder request	1T or 1E
PF	Pole fire	1E
TA	Traffic accident	1E 1T 1B
TA2	Traffic accident Code 2 PD	1E
TAS	Traffic accident – train	Full assignment
WR	Water rescue	Tabled for WR committee
1033M	Medical alarm	1E or 1T
AC1	Small aircraft crash	Full assignment
AC2	Large aircraft crash	Full assignment
ATV	Alternate transport vehicle	1E
AUTO	Auto aid request	1E
AUTOP	Auto aid request – ALS	1E or 1T ALS
BART	BART track response	5E 2T 3B
C10	Bomb Threat	1E 1B
CR	Cliff rescue	1E 1B
DE	Deferred emergency general aviation at San Carlos Airport	4E 2T 2B
DECON	Decontamination response	2E
EXP	Explosion	1E to a full assignment
GAS	Gas main break	Full assignment
GF	Grass fire	3E 1B
HMC	Hazmat consult	No response – referral only
HMI	Hazmat investigation	1E 1B
MED	Medical aid	1E or 1T
MED2	Medical aid – PD code 2	1E or 1T
MED3	Medical aid – PD code 3	1E or 1T

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SF	Structure fire	5E 1T 2B
SWDOWN	Sparking wires down	1E
TDOWN	Tree down	1E or 1T
TF	Trash fire	1E
VF	Vehicle fire	1E
WDOWN	Wire down	1E or 1T