# San Mateo County Fire Service

Policy & Guideline Manual

### P-232

## **Incident Clock**

#### P-232.1 PURPOSE & SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to adopt a standard incident clock for use by command personnel at emergency incidents.

#### **P-232.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the San Mateo County Fire Chiefs that Incident Commanders use the incident clock process as described in FIRESCOPE ICS-910. San Mateo County Public Safety Communications (PSC) will be primarily responsible for the tracking of the incident clock and keeping the Incident Commander (IC) informed of the incident time.

#### P-232.3 REFERENCES

ICS-910 Firefighter Incident Safety and Accountability Guidelines

#### P-232.4 PROCEDURES

- 1. San Mateo County Public Safety Communications (PSC) will start an incident clock when the first arriving unit is on-scene of a structure fire assignment (SF) or hazardous materials response (HMR), or as requested by the Incident Commander when other conditions appear to be time sensitive or dangerous.
- PSC shall notify the Incident Commander at every 10-minute increment with the total time that resources have been on the incident (cumulative) until the Incident Commander cancels the Incident Clock.