



General Order Number 18

October 1, 2012

To Officers and Members

Johnson Creek Fire & EMS Department

Effective October 1, 2012

Upon receipt of an alarm through personal pagers all personnel are to travel, without delay, and while obeying all traffic laws, as soon as possible to the fire station. With the least delay, personnel should get dressed appropriately and walk to the vehicles that are responding to the incident. Remember, this alarm is an emergency so all personnel should move quickly and deliberately and exit the station with department vehicles as soon as possible! Subsequent arriving personnel should remain in the station and await directions from the incident commander as to what other department vehicles should be brought to the scene.

At no time should personnel self-deliver to the scene of an emergency. Our insurance carrier only covers personnel as they travel to the fire station in their personally owned vehicles (POV's) after receipt of an alarm. Department vehicles are also covered in this policy. The only exceptions to the above may occur on a personal level. That is, a department member may encounter an emergency in their immediate neighborhood and respond as a Good Samaritan. Department members may also encounter an emergency on their way to the fire station. Using their own best judgment they may stop to render aid, again, as a Good Samaritan. In both of these cases, personnel are not acting in official capacities as fire department members. As soon as emergency responders arrive, personnel acting as good Samaritans should continue to the fire station, dress appropriately, and await further directions from the incident commander.

This order will take effect and be in force on and after 0700 hours on the date indicated.

David F. Peterson

Fire Chief