



## **General Order Number 20**

October 1, 2012

To Officers and Members

Johnson Creek Fire & EMS Department

### **Effective October 1, 2012**

In order to comply with national guidelines mandated by the National Incident Management System (NIMS), better protect the health and safety of personnel, and standardize communications, the following Communications Order Model is being adopted by the department.

The protocol for all radio communications is as follows;

1. The sender of a radio communication will state the receiver's radio designation first, followed by the sender's own radio designation. Example: "Engine 22, Command, lay a 5" supply line to the rear of the fire building".
2. The receiver will send a radio reply acknowledging the order. Example: "Command, Engine 22, copy the order, we will lay a 5" supply line to the rear of the building".

The purpose of this order is to use an attention getting device for the receiver that reduces confusion and also preserves air time. This 2-way communications model is also an efficient way to correct miscommunications.

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

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