

Enchanted Circle Regional Fire Association  
**Model Operating Procedures**

***Riding Assignments***

**Purpose**

This standard establishes standard initial assignments for individual firefighters, according to the seat they occupy on the apparatus. These assignments are intended to minimize the amount of individual direction required before going to work when arriving on the fireground.

**Seat Numbering**

The seats on each apparatus will be numbered as follows:

**Seat 1: Company Officer** – front right seat

**Seat 2: Driver / Pump Operator** – front left driver’s seat

**Seat 3: Senior Firefighter** – rear seat immediately behind the driver / pump operator (or middle front seat on three seat apparatus)

**Seat 4: Firefighter** – rear seat immediately behind the company officer (if present)

**Seat 5: Firefighter** – rear middle seat (if present)

**Riding Assignments**

All personnel arriving on an apparatus are expected to function as part of an effective and cohesive company. The tasks and required tools that are assigned to each seat will be determined by whether the apparatus is assigned *engine company* or *truck company* functions, whether the assigned strategy is *offensive* (interior attack) or *defensive* (exterior attack), and whether the apparatus is first, second, or third to arrive on the fireground. Specific assignments for working fires (defined as fires that require a hoseline to control) are as follows:

**Offensive Operations – Interior Attack on Working Fire, 4 Person Engine Crews**

**First Due Engine Company (4 person)**

Seat #	Position	Assignment	Tools
1	Officer	Size-Up and report, mobile Command, determine offensive/defensive strategy, select appropriate #1 line placement, collect passports, back-up nozzleman on #1 line (interior attack)	PPE, SCBA, Portable radio, hand light, officers haligan tool, thermal imager
2	Engineer	Apparatus placement, develop pump pressure, develop secure water supply, monitor pump panel and radio, accountability officer, IRIC, generator/lights	PPE, SCBA available, hand light
3	Senior Firefighter	Assist engineer with water supply, stretches back-up line, manages #1 line on exterior, checks all lines for kinks,	PPE, SCBA, portable radio, RIC bag, hand light

		primary IRIC, spotter when engine is backing.	
4	Firefighter	Chock engine, pull #1 line to position indicated by officer, nozzleman on #1 line	PPE, SCBA, hand light

**First Due Truck Company (3-5 person)**

Seat #	Position	Assignment	Tools
1	Officer	Supervise forcible entry, ventilation, and primary search, salvage & overhaul.	PPE, SCBA, portable radio, officers halligan tool, handlight.
2	Engineer	Place apparatus for potential use of aerial, place PPV fan(s), start and monitor generator, assist w/ ground ladder placement	PPE, hand light.
3	Senior Firefighter	Assist engineer with PPV, shut off utilities, set up ground ladder(s) w/ engineer, VES operations.	PPE, SCBA, portable radio, hand light, pike pole or roof bar, truckman's axe
4	Firefighter	Forcible entry, primary search, salvage & overhaul.	PPE, SCBA, hand light, flat head axe, haligan bar, K-tool.
5	Firefighter	Assist with primary search, ventilation, salvage & overhaul.	

**Second Due Engine Company (4 person)**

Seat #	Position	Assignment	Tools
1	Officer	Assumes RIC responsibility, briefing from IRIC and Accountability	PPE, SCBA, Portable radio, hand light, officers haligan tool
2	Engineer	Apparatus placement, develop water supply, develop pump pressure, monitor pump panel and radio	PPE, SCBA available, hand light
3	Senior Firefighter	Assist engineer with water supply, RIC, secure secondary exits and place ground ladders in necessary, spotter when engine is backing.	PPE, SCBA, portable radio, RIC bag, hand light
4	Firefighter	Chock engine, RIC, assist in securing secondary exits and ground ladder placement	PPE, SCBA, hand light