

	<h1>COMMERCE FIRE DEPARTMENT</h1> <p>Standard Operating Guidelines</p>
	Subject: Automatic Aid
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Purpose: This standard operating guideline addresses requirements for outside aid, resource lists, inter-jurisdictional unified command, evaluating aid agreements.

Scope: This SOG pertains to all personnel in this organization.

Responsibilities: The Fire Chief will be responsible for overseeing each agreement between automatic aid departments. Copy of agreements will be kept on file in Fire Chief's office. Agreement will meet requirements for ISO.

General: Automatic aid is assistance dispatched automatically by contractual agreement between two communities or fire districts to all first alarm structural fires. The assistance must be prearranged for first-alarm response according to a definite plan. The aid must be dispatched to reported structure fires on the initial alarm. The aid must be provided 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The assistance may be fire department companies — including apparatus and firefighters — or only firefighters. Minimum response to an automatic aid dispatch will be at least one (1) engine.