

	<h1><b>COMMERCE FIRE DEPARTMENT</b></h1> <p>Standard Operating Guidelines</p>
	<b>Subject:</b> Mutual Aid
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**Purpose:** The purpose of this guideline is to establish a standardized approach for Commerce Fire Department units when responding to out-of-city mutual aid requests.

**Policy:** The Chief may, at his/her discretion, order Fire Department personnel and equipment to answer calls outside the City limits and Fire District. However, in such event enough personnel and equipment must remain in the district to provide any services that may be needed. At any time there shall be no more than one pumper, or tanker, or service company respond on such calls.

**Scope:** All personnel

**General:**

When a request is made for assistance from another department or community, the chief or commanding officer shall consider the following:

- The nature of the emergency and its exact location.
- The type and number of personnel requested.
- The type of equipment requested.
- The name and location of the ranking officer to whom the assisting personnel shall report.