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AMENDMENTS TO FD MANUALS

2.1.1

COMMUNICATIONS MANUAL CHAPTER 8

Communications Manual Chapter 8, titled *Radio Communications*, dated July 8, 2008, is **amended** as follows:

Under Section 8.5 **Delete:** 10-80 **Insert:** 10-80 to read:

10-80 Hazardous Material Incident

An incident that can be controlled by on-scene unit(s) and requires no additional resources.

The Haz-Mat Battalion and/or Haz-Mat Co. 1 can be contacted for technical information if necessary. Guidelines for transmitting Signal 10-80 include:

- Release is of a small quantity.
- The material and its hazards have been identified.
- Firefighters' PPE provides adequate protection against the identified hazards.
- Special equipment and specialized training are not needed.

Note: If on-scene units are unable to control the incident, a Haz-Mat response shall be requested.

Under Section 8.5 **Delete:** 10-80 Code 1 **Insert:** 10-80 Code 1 to read:

10-80 Code 1

An incident that required a Haz-Mat response.

Examples (but not limited to): fuel transfer, fuel spill, major gas emergency, pepper spray, lithium-ion battery fire, asbestos, chemical suicide, mercury spill, unknown substance, fire involving or impinging on a propane cylinder.

The IC will determine the appropriate response of units needed.

If necessary, the IC shall contact HM Units for guidance while awaiting their arrival.

In consultation with HM Units, outside agencies may be requested to the scene.

A Haz-Tac Ambulance should be dispatched if victims are reported or as requested by the IC.

Haz-Mat Units, on scene, will make all technical notifications to agencies outside the FDNY.

A Haz-Mat response shall consist of:

- Haz-Mat Battalion (HB01)
- Haz-Mat Company 1 (HM01)
- Haz-Mat Technician Unit (HMTU)

Guidelines for transmitting Signal 10-80 Code 1 include:

- Specialized personal protective gear needed to mitigate the incident.
- Specialized equipment needed to mitigate the incident.
- Specialized training needed to mitigate the incident.
- 10-37 any code transmitted due to HazMat release.

Under Section 8.5 **Delete:** 10-80 Code 2 **Insert:** 10-80 Code 2 to read:

10-80 Code 2

A large-scale event requiring numerous Haz-Mat resources.

Examples (but not limited to):

- Large hazardous material release/spill - Industrial Ammonia/Chlorine leak/spill.
- Fuel tanker rollover with contents involved with fire.
- Haz-Mat Incident with multiple people contaminated, exposed, or injured.

Additional resources such as Decon Task Forces or Decon Shower Units may be special called by the IC in consultation with the Haz-Mat Battalion.

An estimate of the number of patients shall be included in the initial report to the dispatcher.

Units dispatched upon transmission of a 10-80 Code 2 include:

- 1 - Deputy Chief
- Haz-Mat Battalion (HB01)
- Haz-Mat Company 1 (HM01)
- 2 - Haz-Mat Technician Units (HMTU)

- Safety Battalion 1 (SB01)
- Rescue Battalion
- The Dispatcher shall ensure a total response of 4 Engine companies, 2 Ladder companies, 2 Battalion Chiefs.
- 1 - SOC Support Ladder (FAST Unit)
- 1 - Rescue Company
- Field Communications Unit
- Command Tactical Unit

Additional EMS resources assigned on a 10-80 Code 2 include:

1 - Deputy Chief 3 - BLS ambulances
1 - Division Captain 1 - ALS ambulance
1 - Conditions Officer 1 - Haz-Tac Officer
1 - Major Emergency Response Vehicle 1 - Logistical Support Unit
Mobile Respiratory Treatment Unit 2 - Haz-Tac Ambulances

The Borough dispatcher shall make the following notifications upon transmission of signal 10-80 Code 2:

- FDOC
- EMS Operations
- Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
- Department of Health (DOH) for Biological or Radiological incidents
- NYPD Operations

Affected pages 15-22 (Rev. 02/02/24) reflecting these changes have been **issued** and forwarded to all Bureaus and Divisions for equal distribution to all units under their command.

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