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Standard Operating Guidelines

High-Rise Guidelines

Purpose:

To ensure that all Department personnel are operating in the same manner when responding to alarms or reported fires in a high rise building.

Scope:

This applies to all College Place Fire Department personnel when responding to alarms or reported fires at high-rise buildings.

Responsibility:

It will be the Shift Captain's responsibility to ensure proper procedures are followed when responding to high-rise occupancies.

Definitions:

High rise occupancy: A building with four or more floors above and including the ground level floor.

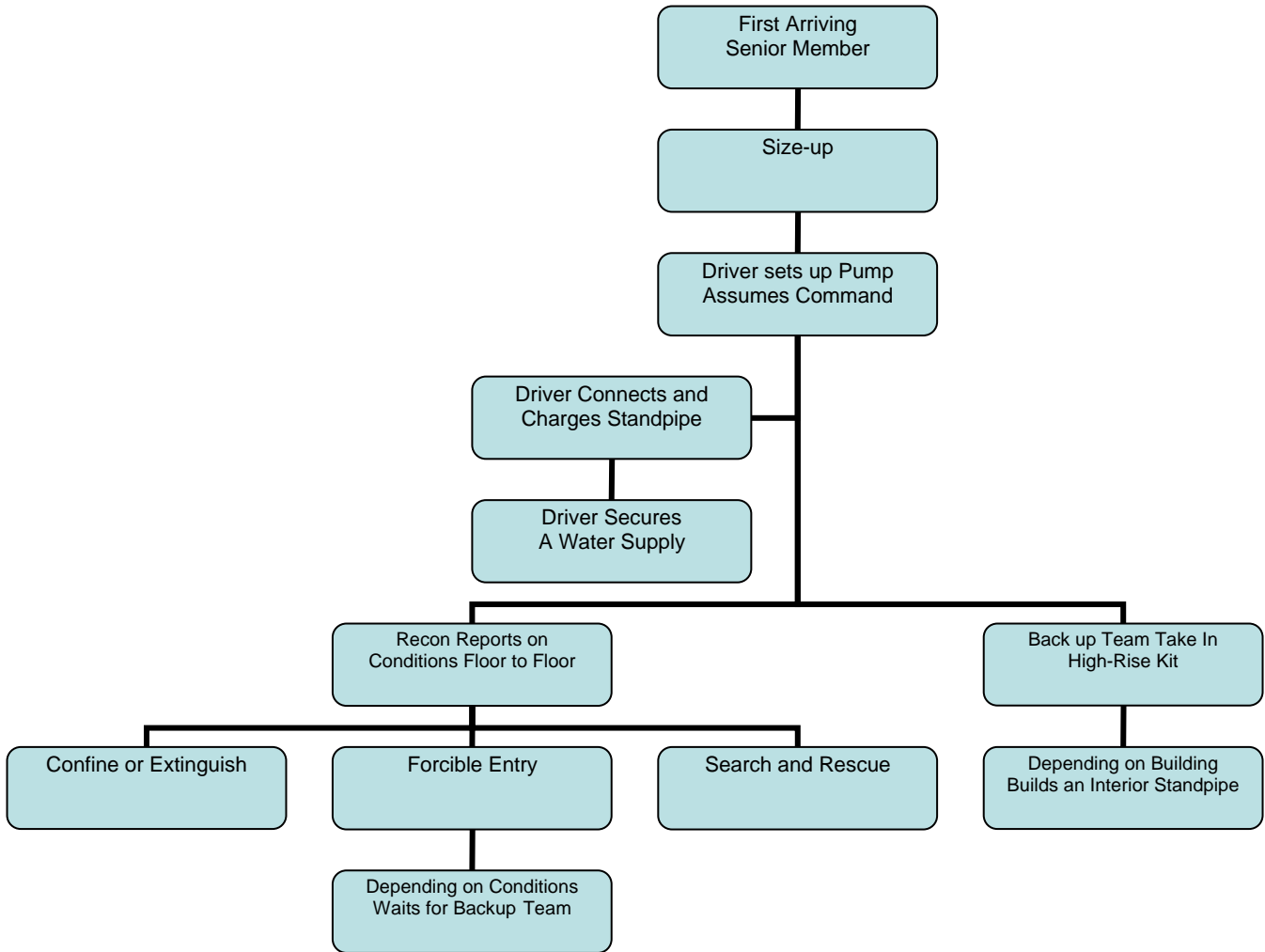
Recon Team: Two or three members of the Department in full PPE, with forcible entry tools, hand light, radio, and pressurized water extinguisher who proceed rapidly from floor to floor checking for fire and/or smoke. Upon finding fire or smoke the team gives a size up to the Incident Commander and takes appropriate action depending on circumstances found.

High rise pack: Pre-connect 150 foot X 1-3/4" hose with nozzle and gated wye attached. In buildings with a standpipe, an additional 50 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose accompanies the high-rise pack hose to the floor one half to one and one half levels below the fire. The 2 1/2 inch hose is connected to the standpipe and extended to the fire floor. The high-rise pack is then attached to the 2 1/2 inch hose.

Interior supply line: This is essentially "building" a standpipe using 2 1/2 inch hose extended from the pumper to the floor or landing below the fire floor using the most appropriate route (Usually the main interior stairway). The high rise pack is brought to the fire floor and attached to the 2 1/2 inch hose at that point.

The standard procedure to be used during a high-rise event is demonstrated in the

flow chart attached to this Section. The procedures outlined in the flow chart are to be considered guidelines, and as such may be modified by the Incident Commander as the situation requires.



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