CARVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Standard Operating Guidelines

Section 4.11 – Dive Team Response **June 15, 2013**

1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this guideline is to establish standard response procedures for the Carver Fire Department Dive Team.

1.1 SCOPE

The intent of this guideline is to cover all water or ice emergencies that the Carver Fire Department might respond to.

1.2 DIVE TEAM RESPONSE – In Town

01. Dispatch Procedure

Water/Ice Rescues (In Town) - Drowning, Boat Overturned, Water Emergency with Person or Vehicle in Water, Person through Ice

Home Receiver Tone and Siren Tones for 3 Company response plus Dive Team

Example: Home receiver tone, Carver Fire Alarm to Company's 1, 2, 3 and the Dive Team, reported overturned boat with person in distress at John's Pond, Activate siren tones for all three stations, Repeat above announcement.

02. STATION RESPONSES

STATION 1	STATION 2	STATION 3	DIVE TEAM
Rescue 2 with Hovercraft and Divers Rescue 1 Engine 1 – (In District)	Engine 2	Car 2 with Boat Engine 3	Rescue 2 with Hovercraft and Divers

03. Dive Team Responsibilities

1. Establish Diver and Support response zones throughout Town
2. Sign in with " I AM RESPONDING" – Direct or to Stations
3. Diver and support should follow response zones set up and indicate via "I AM RESPONDING
4. Remaining divers and support personnel to respond Direct or to Station 1 for Rescue 2
5. Rescue 2 Maximum Staffing – 1 Driver, 1 Passenger, 3 Divers, 2 Support Personnel
6. Rest of Dive Team respond to incident in private vehicles
7. Rescue 2 and Car 2 sign on with staffing level. Example: Fire Alarm, Rescue 2 on with 3 Divers, 2 Support Personnel
8. Dive Master and Assistant Dive Master sign on as going Direct or to Station

1.3 DIVE TEAM RESPONSE – Non Emergency Dive Team Activation

01. Dispatch Procedure

Dive Team Activation in Town (Non Emergency) - Vehicle removal (no person in vehicle), water object search, water investigation, assist Police Department

Home Receiver Tone for Dive Team Activation, Repeat

Example: Home Receiver Tone, Carver Fire Alarm to the Dive Team, respond to John's Pond to assist Police with vehicle removal, Home Receiver Tone, Repeat above announcement.

02. STATION RESPONSE

DIVE TEAM
Car 2 with Boat/Divers/Support Personnel
Rescue 2 with Divers/Support Personnel

03. Dive Team Responsibilities

1. Code "C" Response
2. Establish Diver and Support response zones to pick up Car 2 and Boat
3. Sign in with " I AM RESPONDING" – to Station 1 or Station 3 for Boat
4. Dive Master and Assistant Dive Master sign on as going Direct or to Station
5. Remaining divers and support personnel to respond to Station 1 for Rescue 2

6. Rescue 2 Maximum Staffing – 1 Driver, 1 Passenger, 3 Divers, 2 Support Personnel
7. Car 2 Staffing – up to 4 Divers and Support personnel
8. Depending on location of Incident in Town, Team meet at Station 1 or 3.
9. Rescue 2 and Car 2 sign on with staffing level.
   Example: Fire Alarm, Car 2 and Rescue 2 on Johns Pond with 5 Divers, 4 Support Personnel
10. Rest of Dive Team respond to incident in private vehicles

1.4 DIVE TEAM RESPONSE – Mutual Aid

01. Dispatch Procedure - Water Rescues (Out of Town) / Mutual Aid Dive Team Request
Request per Plymouth County Control or Neighboring Fire Department

a. Home Receiver Tone for Dive Team Activation, Repeat

Example: Home Receiver Tone, Carver Fire Alarm to the Dive Team, respond Mutual Aid to the Town of Plymouth, Long Pond, 137 Long Pond Road. Home Receiver Tone, repeat above announcement.

02. Station Response

DIVE TEAM
Car 2 with Boat/Divers/Support Personnel
Rescue 2 with Divers/Support Personnel

03. Dive Team Responsibilities

1. Code "C" Response
2. Establish Diver and Support response zones to pick up Car 2 and Boat
3. Sign in with " I AM RESPONDING" – to Station 1 or Station 3 for Boat
4. Dive Master and Assistant Dive Master sign on as going Direct or to Station
5. Remaining divers and support personnel to respond to Station 1 for Rescue 2
6. Rescue 2 Maximum Staffing – 1 Driver, 1 Passenger, 3 Divers, 2 Support Personnel
7. Car 2 Staffing – up to 4 Divers and Support personnel
8. Depending on location of Incident out of Town, Team meet at Station 1 or 3 before leaving town.
9. Rescue 2 and Car 2 sign on with staffing level.
   Example: Fire Alarm, Car 2 and Rescue 2 on Mutual Aid to Plymouth with 5 Divers, 4 Support Personnel
10. Rest of Dive Team respond to incident in private vehicles