

Texas Fire Chiefs Association  
**DOCUMENT SUBMISSION FORM**

Candidate Department: **Irving Fire Department**

Best Practice Standard: 10.08 Apparatus Driving

**Proofs of Compliance Submitted:**

1. EOG 5.5 – Emergency Vehicle Operations
2. Documentation of Annual Driver Training

**Submitted By: Scott Johnson, Program Manager**

**Date:**

**Evaluator's Review**

**Evaluator:**

**Date Accepted:**

# Departmental Directive

**TO:** All Members of the Fire Department  
**FROM:** Russell W. Wilson, Assistant Fire Chief  
**DATE:** April 26, 2013  
**DISPOSITION:** Retain Until Otherwise Directed  
**SUBJECT:** Emergency Operating Guideline – 5.5 – Emergency Vehicle Operations

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The new Emergency Operating Guideline – 5.5 – Emergency Vehicle Operations has been added to the Irving Fire Department Emergency Operating Guideline Manual.

You can find a copy of this Emergency Operating Guideline Procedure and the revised Table of Contents on the J: drive, IFD Guidelines-Policies and Procedures (Official Copy)\ Current Emergency Operating Guideline PDF.



Russell W. Wilson, Assistant Fire Chief  
Irving Fire Department

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## 5.5 – EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS

### A. **Fire Department Apparatus**

All fire apparatus shall be kept clean, properly maintained and ready to respond.

### B. **Reserve Apparatus**

Reserve apparatus must be afforded the same daily care as first line equipment.

### C. **Speed Limits**

1. The following speed limits are established for all Fire Department vehicles when responding Code 3:
  - a. On congested streets or narrow residential streets, not more than five (5) mph over the posted speed limit.
  - b. On major streets and thoroughfares, not more than ten (10) mph over the posted speed limit.
  - c. In center lanes, or oncoming traffic, twenty (20) mph is the maximum speed.
  - d. In school zones, twenty (20) mph is the maximum speed, even if responding Code 3.
2. All maximum speed limits should be adjusted down to compensate for road, weather and traffic conditions.
3. Apparatus drivers shall stop at all red lights and stop signs.

### D. **Emergency Vehicle Operation Standards**

1. Drivers of fire department vehicles will be directly responsible for the safe and prudent operation of the vehicles under all conditions. When the Driver is under the supervision of an Officer, that Officer will be responsible for correcting the actions of the Driver that do not conform to Irving Fire Department or City of Irving policies and procedures, or Texas Department of Public Safety laws.

2. During non-emergency travel, Drivers of fire department vehicles will obey all traffic control signals and signs, and all laws and rules of the road as published by the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.
3. Under no circumstances will personnel ride on tail boards, sidesteps, running boards, or in any other exposed position when a fire department vehicle is in motion. Standing is also prohibited while riding an apparatus.

*Note:* This includes riding on an apparatus while moving from one hydrant to another during hydrant maintenance operations, no matter how short the distance between hydrants.

4. All persons riding on fire department vehicles will be seated in approved riding positions and seat belted any time the vehicle is in motion. **Drivers shall not move the apparatus until they are certain this provision is met by all occupants.**

The only exceptions to this rule are:

- a. Personnel actively performing emergency medical care while the vehicle is in motion. At all other times EMS personnel will wear safety belts/harnesses provided. Any EMS care that can be provided from a secured position shall be.
- b. Personnel may ride Booster-9 in the standing position only when the unit is being used in a pump-and-roll operation in an off-road area. Members must be secured at all times in these situations.
- c. Reloading small diameter hose (3" and smaller) shall be performed with the apparatus in a stationary position. Personnel involved in hose loading operations of 5" LDH will be permitted to ride in unsecured positions according to the following procedures:
  - i. One person, other than those personnel involved in loading hose, will be assigned as a safety observer. The safety observer will maintain an unobstructed view of the hose loading operation and be in visual and voice contact with the apparatus operator at all times during the operation.

- ii. Non-fire department vehicular traffic will be excluded from the area or will be under the control of authorized traffic control persons.
- iii. The fire apparatus will be driven only in a forward direction at a speed of 5 mph or less.
- iv. Personnel will be permitted to be in the hose bed but will not stand while the apparatus is in motion.
- v. Prior to the beginning of each hose loading operation, the situation will be evaluated to ensure compliance with all the provisions listed above. If the above standards cannot be complied with, or if there is any question as to the safety of the operation for the specific situation, then the hose will not be loaded on moving apparatus.

**B. Drivers License**

All members must be able to present a valid Texas Drivers License while on duty. All members of the Operations Division, below the rank of Battalion Chief, are required to possess either a Class A or Class B exempt license so they can legally drive fire apparatus.

**A. Backing Apparatus**

The Driver will use a spotter on the passenger side while backing.

**B. Annual Drivers Training**

All Fire Equipment Operators (FEOs) will complete, annually, a review of Irving Fire Department Emergency Operating Guideline-5.5 Emergency Vehicle Operations. The FEO shall demonstrate driving/operational proficiency. Review of the rules and demonstration of driving skills will be scheduled and conducted by the Fire Academy training staff. The driving course shall conform to the standard set forth in NFPA 1002: Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications, Chapter 4.3.

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Activity & Training Hours/Points Summary

Training Code = "DRIVER TRNG "

Staff Member	Alt ID	Hours	Hours Paid	Points
39143	ABIDE, MARK J	2.00	2.00	0.00
14032	AMMON, JACOB	2.00	2.00	0.00
18814	ATTEBERRY, STANLEY B	2.00	2.00	0.00
25294	AUSTIN, DAVID W	2.00	2.00	0.00
36588	BLALOCK, JEFFREY L	2.00	2.00	0.00
67534	BLESING, PHILLIP	2.00	0.00	0.00
30595	BOOZER, KENNETH D	2.00	2.00	0.00
41503	BOTTELBERGHE, THOMAS L	2.00	2.00	0.00
14176	BOYD, III, TARRANT B	2.00	2.00	0.00
54464	BROWN, KEVIN P	2.00	2.00	0.00
51436	BRUNO, JAMES M	2.00	2.00	0.00
54368	BURTON, WESLEY C	2.00	2.00	0.00
56822	CASTRO, JR., JORGE	2.00	0.00	0.00
79895	CAUDLE, CRAIG L	2.00	2.00	0.00
96195	CAUDLE, JAMES H	2.00	2.00	0.00
11214	CAUDLE, KENETH W	4.00	2.00	0.00
98809	CAUDLE, ROBERT W	2.00	2.00	0.00
27062	CHANEY, ROBERT E	2.00	2.00	0.00
50201	CHISM, JOHN E	2.00	2.00	0.00
76343	CHOW, DANIEL L	2.00	0.00	0.00
75660	COMPTON, DOUGLASS A	2.00	2.00	0.00
98060	COULTER, JASON G	2.00	2.00	0.00
62925	COX, BENJAMIN G	2.00	2.00	0.00
19393	CRITES, PATRICK W	2.00	2.00	0.00
77528	DICKERSON, MICHAEL D	2.00	0.00	0.00
69405	DUNAFAN, JR., DAVID L	4.00	4.00	0.00
30442	DUNCAN, PAUL K	2.00	2.00	0.00
59064	EDWARDS, RANDY S	2.00	2.00	0.00
97154	ESTES, WILLIAM D	2.00	2.00	0.00
75708	FELLERS, LANCE R	2.00	2.00	0.00
24546	GADOCI, DREW A	2.00	2.00	0.00
01301	GLOVER, JOHN T	2.00	2.00	0.00
98550	GRIMES, DEACON W	2.00	2.00	0.00
88139	GROVE, GABRIEL N	2.00	2.00	0.00
51556	GROVES, GREGG A	4.00	4.00	0.00
32888	HAECKER, ANDREW D	2.00	2.00	0.00
59008	HALL, DARRELL G	2.00	2.00	0.00
72781	HALL, STEVEN D	2.00	2.00	0.00
89392	HARRIS, DANNY R	2.00	2.00	0.00
89209	HARRIS, III, WALLACE E	2.00	2.00	0.00
26431	HATCHEL, BENNY T	2.00	2.00	0.00
10783	HENDRIX, JEREMY D	2.00	2.00	0.00
66037	HENWOOD, CHARLES L	2.00	2.00	0.00
99330	HERD, ALLEN S	2.00	2.00	0.00
19114	HOPE, JOHN D	2.00	2.00	0.00

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37696	HUFF, II, BILLY J	2.00	2.00	0.00
54802	ISLAS, ROMAN A	2.00	2.00	0.00
74091	JOHNSON, MICAH S	2.00	2.00	0.00
48289	JOHNSON, SCOTT A	2.00	2.00	0.00
73196	JUDD, JEFFREY H	2.00	2.00	0.00
97995	KABETZKE, DANIEL A	2.00	2.00	0.00
59603	KARR, JEROME A	2.00	0.00	0.00
78735	KATSUMOTO, GREGORY K	2.00	2.00	0.00
78376	KEETCH, THOMAS M	2.00	2.00	0.00
29560	KLASSEN, ROBERT R	2.00	2.00	0.00
84287	LEWIS, DAVID A	2.00	0.00	0.00
80037	LEYSHON, JEFF A	2.00	2.00	0.00
05204	MAXWELL, MATTHEW L	2.00	2.00	0.00
78399	MCGUIRE, CHRISTOPHER J	2.00	2.00	0.00
55092	MCKINNEY, SCOTT A	2.00	2.00	0.00
22336	MCNELLIS, TONY J	2.00	2.00	0.00
67163	MCWILLIAMS, ROBERT G	4.00	4.00	0.00
17742	MILLER, LARRY L	2.00	2.00	0.00
35748	MONEY, HELMUT A	2.00	2.00	0.00
86721	MORGAN, DAVID C	2.00	2.00	0.00
51320	MYERS, CHRISTOPHER C	2.00	2.00	0.00
14624	PARSON, ERIK G	2.00	2.00	0.00
18796	PEACH, TROY S	2.00	2.00	0.00
87402	PORTER, DANNY J	2.00	2.00	0.00
74621	REID, BENJAMIN A	2.00	2.00	0.00
50945	ROZNOVSKY, GARY L	2.00	2.00	0.00
15231	SANCHEZ, JOSHUA A	2.00	2.00	0.00
79721	SANDERSON, RICHARD C	2.00	2.00	0.00
15546	SAWYER, JAMES R	2.00	0.00	0.00
03158	SMITH, MATTHEW S	2.00	2.00	0.00
34824	SMITH, TERRY L	2.00	2.00	0.00
10990	STADTHAGEN, ALEX	2.00	2.00	0.00
92436	STURDY, MARK K	2.00	2.00	0.00
84814	TAYLOR, JACK G	2.00	2.00	0.00
59178	TERRILL, JAMES F	2.00	2.00	0.00
18439	THOMAS, JERRELL K	2.00	2.00	0.00
54376	THOMAS, KIRBY D	4.00	2.00	0.00
21998	THOMAS, SHELBY G.	2.00	2.00	0.00
79401	THOMPSON, GERARD D	4.00	4.00	0.00
84743	TILTON, TOM L	2.00	2.00	0.00
98529	TITSWORTH, BRIAN D	4.00	4.00	0.00
13520	TULL, CHRISTOPHER S	2.00	2.00	0.00
59946	TURNER, BRANDON Ike	6.00	6.00	0.00
26835	VAN CLEAVE, OTHEA H	2.00	2.00	0.00

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59003 WICKLIFFE, ALDON T		2.00	2.00	0.00
18842 WILLIAMS, CASS H		2.00	2.00	0.00
14774 WOOLDRIDGE, TIMOTHY J		2.00	2.00	0.00
11500 WRIGHT, JEFFERY D		2.00	0.00	0.00