



ANN ARBOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Standard Operating Procedures - 6.10 MABAS Deployment



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I. PURPOSE

The Ann Arbor Fire Department is a member of the Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division 3205 - Washtenaw County. AAFD will attempt to fulfill all MABAS deployment requests balanced with ensuring coverage of the City of Ann Arbor. A MABAS deployment is different and outside of normal requests for mutual aid from other Washtenaw Area Mutual Aid Association fire departments.

II. DEPLOYMENT

Whenever a Division 3205 response is requested, a conference call is supposed to be initiated by 3205 leadership including the fire chief and assistant chief of operations. Following this conference call, the fire chief and / or assistant chief of operations will coordinate the response with the battalion chief. The battalion chief will remain for City coverage with the fire chief and / or assistant chief of operations coordinating the point of departure and / or responding with the Washtenaw County contingency.

Scramble Deployment - An immediate request for resources for a deployment lasting up to twenty-four (24) hours. This deployment is expected to respond within thirty (30) minutes. Scramble deployment shall be comprised of on-duty employees.

Standard Deployment - A request for resources for a deployment lasting up to seventy-two (72) hours. This deployment is expected to respond within three (3) hours. All standard deployments must be approved by the fire chief. The fire chief maintains the right to refuse a deployment in his or her sole discretion. Any employee participation in a standard deployment is strictly voluntary. An assistant chief or the fire chief will coordinate a standard deployment.

Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Deployment - A request for resources for a deployment lasting up to fourteen (14) days. This deployment is expected to respond within twenty-four (24) hours. All EMAC deployments must be approved by the fire chief. The fire chief maintains the right to refuse a deployment in his or her sole discretion. Any employee participation in an EMAC deployment is strictly voluntary. An assistant chief or the fire chief will coordinate an EMAC deployment. The collective bargaining agreement with IAFF Local 693 provides guidance regarding an EMAC deployment.