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Fire-EMS Standard Operating Guideline

Section:	General Operations
Title:	Carbon Monoxide Alarms
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Purpose

To ensure an appropriate response to all carbon monoxide alarms.

Standard Operating Procedure

The following procedure pertains to Operations Division Personnel. In the event of a carbon monoxide alarm, the following levels of response will be utilized:

Level 1 Response: CO detector activation with no symptoms of illness – single engine company & Duty Officer notification.

Level 2 Response: CO detector activation with illness symptoms – double local assignment, one ambulance (ALS preferred) & Duty Officer response.

Level 3 Response: CO detector with multiple victims (more than 2 people with symptoms) double local response assignment and two ambulances (ALS preferred) & Duty Officer response.

Level 4 Response: CO detector activation in a commercial facility – Full box alarm assignment with two ambulances (ALS preferred) & Duty Officer response.

If the response assignment is initiated by an alarm company, standard automatic alarm dispatch procedures will be followed based upon residential or commercial property. A minimum of one ambulance (ALS preferred) will also be added to the assignment. If information is given indicating more than two people with symptoms, the level 3 response plan above shall be followed for transport units. In the event of activation at an educational facility, nursing home, or hospital, the appropriate dispatch will include two ambulances (ALS preferred).