



Missouri Valley Fire & Rescue Department

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Missouri Valley, IA 51555

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STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINE

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Chronological History

Effective: January 1, 2010

RESPONDING TO EMERGENCY CALLS IN PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES

THE FOLLOWING P.O.V (PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE) GUIDELINES ARE TO BE ADHERED TO AT ALL TIMES WHEN RESPONDING TO EMERGENCY SITUATIONS:

1. **Only elected Line Officers** may report to the scene.

NOTE: NO OTHER MEMBERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ONES MENTIONED ABOVE MAY RESPOND DIRECTLY TO THE SCENE WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE INCIDENT COMMANDER.

All members responding to an incident to obey all posted speed limits, stop signs, and follow safe-driving practices at all times.

2. Members may **only** respond to the scene if it is on their way to the fire station.
Note: This means your normal route of travel.
3. Members reporting to the fire station **will** remain at the station unless instructed otherwise by incident command.
4. Members **shall not** pass the fire station to respond to a call.
5. Members **will not** respond in a P.O.V. to a mutual aid fire call unless instructed otherwise by the incident commander.
6. Anyone failing to abide by this procedure will be reprimanded through progressive discipline/documentation which will include the following:

1st Offense – Verbal Reprimand
2nd Offense – 30-Day Suspension
3rd Offense – 60-Day Suspension

NOTE: After a third offense charges will be filed against the individual for further disciplinary action, which could lead to expulsion from the department.

**By Authority of:
Fire Chief**

Eugene Shaeffer