

**CLAYTON FIRE COMPANY NO.1 INCORPORATED
STANDARD OPERATING GUIDLINE # IV-8**

Date of Effect: June 1, 2002	To be reviewed: January, 2020
To: All Members	Revised: January 1, 2019
Ordered By: Alexander C Carrow, Fire Chief	
Subject: RIT Team (Rapid Intervention Team)	

This guideline shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until superseded.

Purpose: To establish and provide guidelines for our RIT TEAM. The team will be utilized on working incidents or operational responses where firefighters may be at risk.

I. RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Fire Chief or OIC are responsible for developing and establishing a team. This team may be used during mutual aid requests or in the Clayton Fire Company's first due area.. It is the Incident Commanders responsibility to ensure that a RIT is established for the protection of our, and mutual companies during working incidents.

II. REQUIREMENTS OF TEAM MEMBERS:

All members of the RIT TEAM shall have the following training Basic firefighting skills, structural firefighting skills, ropes, power tools and rapid intervention classes provided by the Delaware State Fireschool or equal, and be appointed by the FIRE CHIEF. RIT Teams shall provide the following equipment, SCBA, thermal imaging camera, assorted hand tools, powertools, and rescue tools.

III. PROCEDURES:

Dispatch -- when it is reported a working alarm, the RIT team will automatically be dispatched on all structure fires accept trailers, sheds, nature unknown and garages unattached from the residence in our district, in mutual aid districts is determined by there Fire Chief, for an engine and minimum staffing of 1 officer and 3 firefighters from ours or mutual aid companies.

Staging -- The OIC of the RIT team shall notify Incident Commander prior to arriving on scene for their assignment and staging location.

Operations -- The RIT OIC shall report to the scene OIC and get a full size-up of the tasks, operations and where all crews are located in and around the structure. The RIT OIC shall take a full walk around the structure. While the RIT OIC is briefing with the scene OIC the RIT team shall be preparing their staging area with all tools needed. If permitted by the scene OIC the RIT team may also start throwing ground ladders to the structure.

Initiating RIT TEAM -- the RIT team will be notified by the scene OIC when to go into operation.

Communications -- When staging on scene the RIT team will remain on the fire operations channel to monitor. When the RIT team is in operation, the RIT TEAM, will communicate with the scene OIC and locate trapped firefighters and will also remain on the original channel. The rest of the operations will move to another channel until further notice from the scene OIC.

Termination -- Once the on scene OIC reports 10-1 and reports to terminate, then the crew may be utilized for overhaul.