



## MASON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #4

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TITLE: INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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1. PURPOSE: To adopt a standard set of guidelines to assist personnel in the implementation of the Incident Management System.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES: It is the responsibility of each member of the Mason County Fire District #4 to ensure they are in compliance with this guideline. It is the responsibility of the Chief to enforce this guideline.

3. GUIDELINE:

3.1 The Mason County Fire District #4 has adopted the National Fire Service Incident Management System Model Procedures for Structural Firefighting, as published by Fire Protection Publications, Oklahoma State University (IFSTA) and prepared by the National Fire Service Incident Management Consortium. These guidelines will be superseded automatically by the most current revision of these procedures.

3.2 The Incident Management System (IMS) is designed to provide personnel with an easily understood organizational structure and guidelines to follow for managing resources at an incident. The IMS may be used from the smallest routine incident and expanded to multiple levels if the incident escalates.

3.3 All personnel will be familiar with these guidelines and trained to their functional level of participation for the operation. Personnel will be trained and qualified by their District prior to taking a supervisory role at an incident.

3.4 The IMS guidelines shall be used in conjunction with the National Interagency Incident Management System (NIIMS) Incident Command System for large-scale or disaster-type incidents.

3.5 The IMS guidelines meet the intent of NFPA 1500 which requires the use of an incident management system; NFPA 1561 which establishes the management of an incident; the WAC 296-305 which requires organizing and operating an on-scene management structure; and WAC 296-305-05001 Emergency Fire Ground Operations--Structural.



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3.6 The Incident Commander may deviate from the guidelines in the interest of safety for personnel or victims, to gain immediate control of the incident, or in unknown circumstances, as dictated by the incident as long as the intent of the procedure is met.