



Scarborough Fire Department

B. Michael Thurlow, Fire Chief

GENERAL ORDER

TO: ALL PERSONNEL ORDER #: 20-002 DATE ISSUED: 02/24/2021
SUBJECT: RADIO PROCEDURE FOR RESPONSE TO MUTUAL AID CITIES DATE RESCINDED: _____

PER ORDER OF: *B. Michael Thurlow*, Fire Chief

To facilitate radio communications when responding to mutual aid calls in the cities of Portland, South Portland, Biddeford, Saco & Westbrook the following procedures are effective immediately.

Portland / South Portland / Cape Elizabeth

- When responding to **cover a station** in Portland or South Portland or Cape Elizabeth – Use the radio channel labeled **MA COVER**
- When responding to **direct to the scene** in Portland or South Portland – Use the radio channel labeled **MA SCENE**
The Portland Dispatch center will patch you to the appropriate OPS Channel so you can communicate on their 800 MHz radio system with the other units on scene.
- When responding **direct to the scene** in Cape Elizabeth use the radio channel labeled **CAPE FIRE**.

Westbrook

- When responding to **cover the station** in Westbrook – Use **WESTBROOK FD**
- When responding **direct to the scene** in Westbrook – Use **WESTBROOK VRS** in Scarborough portables

Biddeford / Saco

- When responding to **cover a station** in Biddeford or Saco – Use **B/S DISPATCH**
- When responding **direct to the scene** in Biddeford – Use **BIDDEFORD OPS**
- When responding **direct to the scene** in Saco – Use **SACO OPS**