
Roadway Incident Safety

917.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to set forth district responsibilities for development of practices used by members who are engaged in any operations occurring on roadways.

917.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Blue Ridge Fire District to provide traffic incident management (TIM) practices for the protection of members, personnel responding from other agencies, and victims operating on roadways.

917.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

The District should utilize TIM procedures. Procedures should include but not be limited to:

- Use of the Incident Command System at all roadway incidents.
- Coordination and cooperation with law enforcement on-scene, including establishing a unified command, depending on the location, size, and complexity of the incident.
- Scene identification and size-up.
- Establishing a temporary traffic control zone, including:
 - Placement of apparatus.
 - Use of traffic control devices.
 - Personnel assigned to TIM duties.

917.3.1 MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (MUTCD)

Procedures should also include any requirements in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices adopted by the state, including but not limited to the following (ARS § 28-641):

- Use of emergency vehicle lighting
- Safe positioning of emergency vehicles
- Use of traffic flaggers