

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT</b> <b>CHAPTER 2: SUGGESTED OPERATING GUIDELINES</b></p>
<p>Part 3: I.C.S. - Command Function Subject: Safety Officer Page 1 of 1 Effective Date: 07-01-95</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Section: 2-3-1 Revised Date: 09-28-03</p>

- 1.01 Purpose. To define the basic functions and activity of the Safety Officer position.
- 1.02 Goal. To describe the command staff position for Safety. To provide a method for assigning safety supervision to a person within the command staff.
- 1.03 Responsibility.
  - A) Monitor and assess safety hazards and unsafe situations.
  - B) Suggest measures to reduce risk to personnel.
  - C) Inform Command of safety problems and potential hazards.
- 1.04 When to activate position. The Safety Officer is assigned when the size and complexity of the incident prevents Command from personally supervising the function. This function can be expanded by adding personnel who will report to the Safety Officer.
- 1.05 Authority to Bypass Chain of Command. The Safety Officer can bypass the chain of command when it is necessary to correct unsafe acts. Command must be immediately informed of these corrective actions.
- 1.06 Reference. NFPA Standard 1501 Fire Department Safety Officer will be the reference used to guide the actions of the safety staff position.
- 1.07 Radio Designation. The plain-language term, "Safety" will designate the safety staff function.
- 1.08 Chief Training/Safety Officer. Refer to Section 1-3-6 for additional job description information.