

TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 2: SUGGESTED OPERATING GUIDELINES

Part 3: I.C.S. - Command Function

Subject: Triage/Treatment

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- 6.01 Goal. To provide a guideline for Triage/Treatment sector activities.
- 6.02 Description of Function: The triage/treatment sector's responsibility is to triage and begin initial treatment of the victims. Victims should be stabilized and continually monitored until they are transported to a medical facility. Separate areas should be maintained for high, moderate, and low priority cases. The treatment group will advise the Transportation Sector Officer of transportation needs and which victims should be removed first.
- 6.03 Responsibilities: When this function is activated, the Triage/Treatment Sector will be responsible for the following.
- A) Determine the resources needed to perform triage/treatment and advise Command⁸.
 - B) Identify and establish suitable treatment areas for high, moderate, and low priority victims. Locate these areas near an easily accessible pick-up point for transport. Advise Command of these areas.
 - C) Maintain an accurate count of patients and where they were transported.
 - D) Assign and coordinate resources to provide suitable treatment for victims.
 - E) Triage arriving victims and continually evaluate their condition.
 - F) Determine transportation priorities. It may be possible to separate the slightly injured persons who are able to walk and locate them in an area easily accessible to buses or similar forms of transportation.

⁸ These activities will be coordinated with EMS personnel, who are responsible for direct care of the patient. However, conditions can exist (fire/explosion hazards, multi-casualty, etc.) where the department personnel are assigned to complete these tasks.

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- G) Report progress to Command.
- H) Coordinate with other groups.