

**TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT
CHAPTER 2: SUGGESTED OPERATING GUIDELINES**

Part 9: Tactical Checklist

Subject: Structure Fire

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1.01 Goal. To provide a guideline for decision making in response to structure fires.

1.02 Checklist.

A. The checklist is a starting point for making decisions in response to structure fires. Additional information can (and should) be obtained from the following:

1. Strategic Guidelines.
 - a. Residential (2-8-1)
 - b. Commercial-Common Attic (2-8-2)
 - c. Center Hallway Occupancy (2-8-3)
 - d. Large Area Buildings (2-8-4)
 - e. Public Assembly (2-8-5)
 - f. High Rise (2-8-12)
2. Pre-Fire Plans.
3. Map Book.
4. Visual Factors.
5. Reconnaissance information.

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STRUCTURE FIRE TACTICAL GUIDELINES

During Response

Check map book - hydrants, access, tender fill-sites, etc.
Use tactical worksheet.

Upon Arrival

MAKE INITIAL SIZE-UP

Give On-Scene Report - Take Command

- Building size - small, medium, large
- Building height
- Occupancy
- Fire/smoke conditions - nothing showing, smoke showing, fire showing, working fire, fully involved
- If smoke and/or fire is showing, indicate which side.

Consider Upgrading Assignment – Additional Alarm(s)

Report Command Post Location

Determine Nature and Extent of Emergency

- location of occupants (outside/inside - need for rescue)
- fire ground factors
- what is most likely to happen?

Formulate Action Plan

- Prioritize needs
- Consider your options
- Address needs

Initial Action

Make Initial Assignments - Make Objectives Known:

- type of attack - offensive/defensive
- cut-off points
- early ventilation

Personnel Safety

Determine Resources Needed

Outside Assistance - traffic/crowd control, EMS, heavy equipment, etc

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Additional Action

Back-Up Initial Attack

Water Supply

Progress Reports

Update Plan

Early Salvage - Lighting - Rehab