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Command shall make assignments and assemble a command structure proportional to the needs of the incident and the resources available.

D. Incident Strategy:

1. Defensive strategies are indicated when a fire is in the advanced stage and the structural integrity appears to be compromised, particularly when engineered structural components are suspected, no reports of known life trapped inside, and minimal property conservation possible causing the risk to be greater than the benefits.
2. Offensive strategies are indicated when the IC has determined that the benefits exceeds the risk. The following action **MUST** be taken prior to initiating offensive strategies:
 - a. Size up
 - b. Command Established
 - c. 360 performed by either the first arriving company officer, a later arriving company (when assigned by the first arriving company) or the first arriving Battalion Chief/Command Technician.
 - d. Risk Benefit Analysis completed
 - e. Plan of Action developed
 - f. Safety Officer assigned
 - g. Rescue Team in place (2 in 2 out)
 - h. The decision is communicated clearly on Tactical Channel and Fire Ops. Channel.
3. No attack strategies are necessary when conditions pose an undue threat to firefighters, such as a potential boiling liquid expanding vapor explosion (BLEVE) and warehouses containing poisons, pesticides, and hazardous materials. Focus will be on evacuation efforts.

601.5 Pre-determined Assignment and Task List

- A. Pre-determined assignments/task list address basic operational actions that must be managed in the early stages of the incident to ensure a successful outcome.
- B. 1 – Alarm Structure Fire (Non-High Rise) with NOTHING SHOWING, and all companies are asked to continue emergency response.
 1. 1st Engine
 - a. Proceeds to the front of the structure
 - b. Provides an effective size-up using the acronym CAN as a template (**C**onditions, **A**ctions, **N**eeds)
 - c. Operates in the investigation mode and assumes Command

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2. 2nd Engine
 - a. Stage at an appropriate hydrant to provide a permanent water supply if needed.
 3. 3rd Engine
 - a. Stage at an alternate hydrant to provide an alternate permanent water supply if needed.
 - b. Be available to assist with the investigation if instructed to do so by Command.
 4. 1st Truck
 - a. Proceed to front of structure or other appropriate position as determined by officer that will provide a tactical advantage should the incident progress.
 5. 2nd Truck
 - a. Staged at a remote location from the structure in an uncommitted position that allows for flexibility to proceed and position as instructed by Command
 6. 1st Battalion Chief (BC)
 - a. Proceed to the structure and position in a location that provides for the setup of a Command Post (CP) and provides access for responding apparatus.
 7. 2nd Battalion Chief will proceed to assigned location and stage in an uncommitted position and be ready to assume the role of Incident Safety Officer (ISO).
 8. All unassigned companies will exercise Level 1 Staging.
- C. 1- Alarm Structure Fire (Non High Rise) with Smoke or Fire Showing
1. 1st Engine
 - a. Size up using the CAN template.
 - b. Determine the proper attack line to deploy and request the 2nd engine to bring water
 - c. Conduct a 360 of the structure, when possible. Exceptions must be noted (Example: a large commercial structure). When such an exception is noted, all efforts should be made to have a 360 completed ASAP by later arriving personnel
 2. 2nd Engine
 - a. Bring water as directed by 1st arriving engine company or IC.
 - b. Deploy a backup-line.
 3. 3rd Engine
 - a. Locate and stage by an alternate hydrant and notify Command of location and request an assignment.
 - b. Assignments/Tasks may include:
 - i. Search and Rescue
 - ii. Assist with fire attack

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- iii. Deploy a backup line
 - iv. Establish Rapid Intervention Team (RIT)
 - v. Ventilation
4. 1st Truck
- a. Proceed to the location and position in a manner that provides for tactical advantage.
 - b. Address the following Tactical Considerations
 - i. Search and Rescue
 - ii. Forcible Entry/Exit
 - iii. Ladder Placement (Aerial and Ground)
 - iv. Ventilation
 - v. Salvage/Overhaul
 - vi. Utility Control
5. 2nd Truck
- a. Stages at a remote location in an uncommitted position.
 - b. Notify Command and request an assignment.
6. 1st Battalion Chief (BC)
- a. Provide a complete size up using the CAN Template.
 - b. Establish Command (Command Tech will setup CP)
 - c. Complete a 360 of the structure, if one has not already been conducted, or as conditions warrant.
 - d. Give assignments to staged companies
7. 2nd Battalion Chief
- a. Provide an additional size up using the CAN Template
 - b. Function as the Incident Safety Officer (ISO).
 - c. Acknowledge assignment as ISO on the Fire Ops. Channel.

601.6 Plan of Action

A. Operational Priorities

- 1. First Priority – Life Safety
 - a. Until potential life hazards have been controlled, the preservation of life and health of ALL at the incident, firefighters and civilians will take priority.
- 2. Second Priority – Incident Stabilization
 - a. These are the activities that will control, and therefore minimize, the impact of the incident on the surrounding area.
- 3. Third Priority - Property Conservation