



COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS FIRE SERVICE POLICY

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1.0 **Paid Fire Agencies**

When a paid fire agency requests an investigator, NetCom will notify the on call fire investigator for that agency via a computer aided dispatch system (CAD) response upgrade of "FI". NetCom will dispatch the recommended unit which will alert the on call investigator by alpha and/or voice pager, as configured in CAD. The unit will be put in a "CP" status on the incident at the time they acknowledge receipt of the page.

2.0 **Volunteer Fire Agencies**

When volunteer fire agencies request an investigator, NetCom will notify the on call fire investigator for that agency via a CAD response upgrade of "FI". NetCom will dispatch the recommended unit which will alert the on call investigator by alpha and/or voice pager, as configured in CAD. The unit will be put in a "CP" status on the incident at the time they acknowledge receipt of the page. If the volunteer agency does not have an investigator the CAD recommendation will be a pseudo unit of "FITSK" which will alert a leader of the Santa Cruz County Fire Investigation Task Force. NetCom will follow up the dispatch with a text message to TN.FITSK with specific instructions. The Task Force Leader will contact NetCom to acknowledge receipt of the page and confirm a contact for the on-scene Incident

Commander and make all further arrangements with the Incident Commander (IC) for an investigator to respond.

3.0 Task Force Request

The Fire Investigator Task Force may be requested at any time by any agency and may be alerted via the tone function in CAD, i.e.; **TN.FITSK**. It will be the responsibility of the Task Force Leader to contact the other task force members.

4.0 CDF Jurisdiction

Upon request for a fire investigator in the CAL FIRE jurisdiction, NetCom will notify CAL FIRE who will dispatch the fire investigator.

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