

SUBJECT: DISCOVERING FIRES WHILE ENROUTE TO OR RETURNING FROM OTHER FIRES OR ALARMS	SECTION: 300.04
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PURPOSE

To provide an understanding of personnel's authority and responsibilities when discovering fires while enroute to or returning from other fires or alarms.

PROCEDURE

- A. Where lives are imperiled, the company officer shall stop, notify the dispatcher of existing conditions, and order another company to be dispatched to the first alarm, and then request additional help if necessary. The company officer with his/her company should immediately attempt the rescue of people whose lives are imperiled, and the extinguishment of the fire.
- B. When no lives are imperiled, the company officer shall notify the dispatcher of existing conditions, order a fire fighter to remain at the scene, and ask for help if necessary. This fire fighter should remain at the scene with a portable radio while the remaining personnel continue on to the original alarm. The company officer shall notify his/her actions to the incident commander upon arrival the designated location.
- C. When returning from a fire or alarm, and a fire is discovered, stop and go to work on the fire.
- D. When responding to an alarm and the fire is discovered to be out of the city, instruct the dispatcher to notify the proper jurisdiction and go to work on the fire.