

POINT PLEASANT BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT
Truck Company Operations in Commercial Buildings

Standard Operating Guideline

General:

First due truck:

- Primary search of the fire floor.
- Determine the life hazard and rescue as required.
- Locate and confine the fire.
- Control ventilation of the fire area.
- Roof ventilation on flat roof buildings.

Second due truck:

- Primary search of floors above fire.
- Ladder building as needed.
- Examining exposures for fire spread.
- Insure roof ventilation.
- Shut down utilities.

1st Due Truck:

Interior Team:

- Force entry to fire building
- Search and locate fire
- Lead engine company to the fire
- Search for life
- Ventilate rear of building

Exterior Team:

- Driver
 - Position truck in front of the fire building
 - Raise aerial
- Roof
 - Initiate vertical ventilation - start with scuttles, skylights, etc.
 - Monitor roof and report to IC
 - Size and shape of the building
 - Location and volume of fire or smoke
 - Exposures – sides and rear
 - Roof loading – signs, AC units, etc.

- Evidence of cockloft fire
 - Roof construction
 - Presence or absence of extending parapets or evidence of fire walls
 - Difference in the levels of the roof
- OV
 - Check the rear and sides for access
 - Provide vertical ventilation in the rear
 - Gain access and conduct a search, when the 2nd Due OV arrives

2nd Due Truck:

Interior Team:

- Force doors to exposures, floor above is top priority
- Search exposures
- Check for fire extension

Exterior Team:

- Driver
 - Positions apparatus and raises aerial to provide a secondary egress from roof
- Roof
 - Places a second portable ladder to the roof
 - Assists with vertical ventilation
- OV
 - Check the rear and sides for access
 - Assist with horizontal ventilation
 - Teams-up with 1st Due OV to complete search

3rd Due Truck:

Interior Team:

- Force entry and search exposures
- Check for fire extension
- Shut down utilities
- Secondary search of 1st Due's area

Exterior Team:

- Assist with horizontal or vertical ventilation
- Place additional ground ladders
- Check for fire extension in exposures

4th Due Truck:

Interior Team:

- Force entry to the rear of adjoining exposures
- Check for fire extension