




WARE FIRE DEPARTMENT Standard Operating Guideline

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Purpose: The purpose of this guideline is to establish a policy for safety at the scene of a fire, or any type of emergency that is in the right of way of a roadway, moving traffic or similar hazard.

Scope: This guideline shall apply to all members of the department.

Enforcement: The Chief or Deputy Chief or Incident Commander shall be responsible for enforcement of this guideline.

Application:

- Members engaged in active fire suppression are not required to wear a safety vest.
- Any member who is on the scene of a correct, fire, or any type of emergency that is in the right of way of a roadway must wear a fluorescent safety vest.
- Fluorescent safety Vest shall be ANSI 107 Class II compliant, or ANSI 207 Public Safety vest compliant.
- Personal protective equipment or EMS gear alone is not acceptable as a replacement for a high visibility fluorescent safety vest, unless the personal protective equipment or EMS gear is ANSI compliant.
- Florescent safety vests shall not be used when a member must don SCBA and will be working in close proximity to a source of heat, such as during suppression of a vehicle fire.
- Fluorescent safety vests shall not be worn when a member will be operating within a hot zone and needs to avoid potential exposure to chemicals or other contaminants.