

**DAYVILLE FIRE COMPANY**  
**STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES**

Section: Incident

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SUBJECT: POST-INCIDENT CRITIQUE

PURPOSE: To describe the department policy on post- incident critique

**DEFINITION:**

The purpose of this S.O.G. is to provide a guideline governing post-incident critiques of emergency incident operations. The post-incident critique system is a means of providing specific information to all personnel to allow them to benefit from the experience gained from a particular incident in an effort to improve operations at similar, future incidents.

A critique shall be completed for all working fire, as well as for any other incidents where it will benefit the company and/or any individual.

The critique is to be produced without the use of individual names; references are to be made by unit designation whenever possible.

**CRITIQUE CONTENTS**

➤ Incident Command System (ICS)

- \* State the command post and staging location.
- \* Indicate what parts of the ICS were used (such as operations, safety, EMS control, rescue, public information, etc.) and describe the assignment and action of each.
- \* List any sectors that were established, including the sector commanders, units and assigned functions.

➤ Problems Encountered

List specific operational problems encountered throughout the incident; for example, blocked Siamese connections, barred windows, false ceilings, inoperative hydrant, accelerants used, multiple fires set, triage problem, etc.

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➤ Lessons Learned and Reinforced

- \* List the specific things that were done correctly and worked well.
- \* List the ways the operation could be improved or possible solutions to the problems. Items should not be listed in a negative manner but should be presented positively for the purpose of providing a means of improving operations in the future.

➤ Summary

Give a brief overall summary of the incident.

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