DAYVILLE FIRE COMPANY

STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

Section: Equipment

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SOG: E-1

SUBJECT: PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

PURPOSE: To describe the department policy on protective clothing and

equipment.

DEFINITION:

The following policy will be followed concerning Protective Clothing and Equipment.

- ➤ The Dayville Fire Co. will provide each member with the appropriate protective clothing and equipment to provide protection from the hazards to which the member is or may be exposed for the tasks that the member is expected to perform in that environment. It will be the responsibility of each individual to inspect and maintain their clothing and equipment to make sure it is in proper condition. If found unsatisfactory it is the members responsibility to inform their superiors.
- Protective Clothing consists of a helmet, protective hood, turnout coat, bunker pants (3/4 boots if bunker pants not issued), boots, and gloves. The above will meet NFPA requirements.
- All members shall be require to wear all above clothing when involved in or exposed to the hazards of structural fire fighting, vehicle fires and vehicle accidents.
- ➤ All members shall be required to used SCBA working in areas where:
 - o The atmosphere is hazardous.
 - The atmosphere is suspected of being hazardous.
 - The atmosphere may rapidly become hazardous.
- In addition to the above, all personnel working below ground level or inside any confined space shall use SCBA unless the safety of the atmosphere can be established by testing and continuous monitoring.
- Beards, facial hair and/or eyeglasses that contact the seal area of a SCBA face piece is prohibited.
- Interior fire attack may only be performed by firefighters meeting the following criteria:
 - Are at least a Class I firefighter (see SOG D-2)
 - Have qualified in SCBA use
 - Have full protective clothing properly in use

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