## Chapter VI Personnel Assignment and Duties Subject 2 Fire Company Status/Accountability When Out Of Quarters Topic 1

## **Policy**

- A. When a Company is leaving quarters the company officer or person in charge is to supply their District Fire Chief with the reason for leaving quarters and their destination.
- B. Fire companies **DO NOT** need to notify their District Chief when leaving quarters under the following circumstances:
  - 1. Emergency dispatches
  - 2. Building or hydrant inspections
  - 3. Acquiring food for meals
  - 4. Complying with posted schedules for training
  - 5. Pre-scheduled department special details
- C. It is important for the District Fire Chief to know when a company is out of their assigned running area. Such status changes can result in lengthened response times which could affect command decisions during emergency incidents.
- D. This policy is designed to contribute to the safety and well-being of our community and our firefighters. Because timely response of fire companies is vital during all emergencies, the company officer shall keep the District Fire Chief apprised of:
  - 1. When company is out of its first alarm running area.
  - 2. When the company is unable to respond.
- E. The preferred method of notification is the department phone or the District Fire Chief's cell phone. The following are the district cell phone numbers.

District 1 - 368-1258

District 2 - 368-1307

District 3 – 368-1298

District 4 – 368-1299

F. All District Fire Chief's are responsible for ensuring that all fire companies comply with this directive.