

	<b>Standard Operating Guidelines: OPS 7</b>	
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**PURPOSE:** Franklin County Public Safety shall assure the appropriate use of the National Incident Management System and scene size up.

**I. POLICY:**

- A. The initial Fire/EMS unit to arrive on scene shall establish command and provide a scene size up to the emergency communications center.
- B. This command shall be in accordance with the National Incident Management System and shall remain in effect until a member of equal or higher training and/or rank arrives on scene and assumes command.
- C. The transfer of command shall be transmitted via radio to the emergency communications center. Example: Franklin this is Assistant Chief 1, I am transferring command to Chief 4 at this time.
- D. Once the incident is over the termination of command shall also be transmitted via radio to the emergency communications center.
- E. All scene size up information AND apparatus or scene status reports shall be repeated back by the emergency communications center.