

# City of Belleville Fire Department

Number: 1002

**POLICY:**

It is the policy of the Belleville Fire Department that incidents be managed in accordance with standard "Incident Command" principles.

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## GUIDELINE

1:00 **Purpose:**

1:01 To establish the Incident Command System for all emergency scenes.

2:00 **Procedures:**

2:01 **ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND**

2:02 The first arriving Officer shall assume command and be designated the Incident Commander.

2:03 The Incident Commander shall report arrival in the following format:

*Belleville Dispatch, Unit # is on scene, Portable # is command. Then give the on arrival situation report.*

2:04 The call sign of the Incident Commander shall be **"COMMAND"**

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2:05 Incident Command shall determine the commitment of personnel and equipment to the emergency situation. Incident Command will initiate a call back of 1 or more banks of platoons to assist at the scene or man stations and vehicles as required.

2:06 **TRANSFERS OF COMMAND**

Transfers of Command shall be face to face (where possible) and shall be announced to the RTO by the individual assuming Command.

3:00 **Scope:**

3:01 It shall be the responsibility of the Captain/ Officer in charge of each shift to ensure that this guideline is explained and followed.

3:02 It shall be the responsibility of **all employees** to understand and adhere to this guideline.

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