

	Oradell Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines	
	SOG # 1 – Standard Operating Guidelines Overview	
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1 – Standard Operating Guidelines Overview

1. The Standard Operating Guidelines contained in this document are designed to function only as **GUIDELINES** for this Departments operation.
2. The safety of all personnel is the number one priority; therefore any part of these S.O.G.s may be deviated from to satisfy this task with good cause.
3. Due to the large amount of variables that are encountered in fireground and emergency operations, no single document can contain Standard Operating Guidelines for all situations. The Fire Chief, or subordinates, have the discretion to deviate from the attached S.O.G. for the sake of **safer** or more efficient operations if they deem it necessary, based upon their training and experience as each situation demands.
4. The ability to deviate from any or all parts of the S.O.G. and/or accepted firefighting practices and does not entitle the individual doing so to act in a reckless or negligent manner.
5. These Standard Operating Guidelines are not meant to limit any personnel in fire or emergency operations. Personnel training and experience dictates their individual actions.
6. These Standard Operating Guidelines supersede any and all previously existing S.O.G.s.