All-Terrain Vehicle Response (R171 & R172)

334.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy addresses the operation of the All-Terrain vehicles during emergency and nonemergency situations.

This policy shall apply to all personnel operating within the Incident Management System of the SFRD.

334.2 POLICY

The All-Terrain vehicle may be used for emergency response, non-emergency response, patient transport, and beach operations.

Emergency response:

- (a) The vehicle shall be a primary response vehicle for incidents the occur on the beaches or in areas that are inaccessible by normal response vehicles (engine, ladder)
- (b) The optimum response shall have two personnel on board and the third responding in either L171, E172 or E179.
- (c) Personnel shall confirm that all necessary equipment is on board prior to departure.

Non-emergency response:

- (a) The vehicle may be utilized for other aspects of operation within the District. This may include but is not limited to the following: special details, parades, etc.
- (b) While in this capacity, the unit shall be operated with two personnel and appropriate equipment.

Patient transport:

- (a) Patient safety must be the priority in determining the best method of transport from the situation.
- (b) During transport, two personnel shall be on board.
- (c) One member shall be located in the patient attendant seat. This may be a member of SFRD or LCEMS.
- (d) Special care shall be employed to ensure a safe and uneventful transport

Beach operations:

- (a) While operating on the beaches, care shall be taken as to not disturb or damage any plant or wildlife habitat.
- (b) While on the beach area, operation shall be done as close to the water line as practical, avoid driving on or in the dune system when possible.
- (c) Vehicle shall be operated in appropriate manner while interacting with pedestrians and/or beach goers.

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Vehicle shall be rinsed off after every off-road use.

334.3 DAILY INSPECTION

The All-Terrain Vehicle shall be inspected daily as all other emergency vehicles within the District and a checklist completed daily.