

**CLARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #6**

**RESOLUTION 2009-09  
REPLACES RESOLUTION 2006-03**

**Resolution adopting the performance policy and objectives outlined in Substitute House Bill 1756 as Clark County Fire District #6's emergency resource deployment and response time objectives.**

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** is legally established as a fire department through Title 52 RCW to provide certain emergency medical, fire and rescue services; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** has a mission statement and goals and objectives to guide the organization in providing fire and medical services to our community; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** has a basic organizational structure which may include the elected officials, Fire Chief, Officers, Firefighters, Paramedics and EMTs; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** has a certain number of members now and in the future who perform the tasks required to accomplish our response objectives; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** is required by state law to establish turnout and response time objectives for the first arriving Basic Life Support, Advanced Life Support and Fire Engine responses to fire suppression calls and response time goals for a full alarm assignment for Fire Engine responses to fire suppression calls; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** has evaluated the elements identified in SHB 1756 and included those provisions deemed appropriate in the Department's emergency service delivery; and,

**WHEREAS, County Fire District #6** has developed written response coverage objectives required to comply with applicable provisions of SHB 1756.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners for Clark County Fire District #6 hereby adopts the attached policy statements and response time objectives as official policy for compliance with Washington State Law and for use in determining emergency medical, fire and rescue resource deployment.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners of Clark County Fire Protection District #6 on this 3rd day of November, 2009, the following Commissioners being present and voting:

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Dick Spring, Chair

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Dean Bloemke, Commissioner

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Casey Collins, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Richard T. Streissguth,  
Secretary to the Board of Fire Commissioners

## **Attachment to Resolution 2009-09**

### **Clark County Fire District #6 Policy Statements and Response Objectives**

Clark County Fire District #6 has existed as a Fire District within the State of Washington since 1954. The fire district was organized under the tenants of Title 52 RCW

Clark County Fire District #6 provides service to approximately 37 square miles in suburban Washington State within Clark County.

The services provided by Clark County Fire District #6 include:

- a) Fire Suppression
- b) First Response Basic Life Support (BLS) Emergency Medical Services
- c) First Response Advanced Life Support (ALS) Emergency Medical Services
- d) Public Education
- e) Fire Prevention
- f) Hazardous materials "Operations Level" Response

Clark County Fire District #6 operates under a chain-of-command which has been established by the three-member Board of Fire Commissioners, who are elected to represent the public they serve. The chain-of-command or organizational chart is attached to this document.

On October 1, 2009, Clark County Fire District #6 had fifty-five (62) career positions and 26 volunteers. The total numbers by their assigned areas of responsibility are as follows:

- 6 Chief Officers
- 13 Career Officers
- 39 Career Firefighters and Firefighter/Paramedics
- 4 Volunteer officers
- 22 Volunteer Firefighters
- 2 Administrative Support
- 1 Public Education/Fire Prevention/Public Information Staff
- 1 Maintenance position

Total Staff: 62 career; 26 volunteer

The functions performed by Clark County Fire District 6 include the following:

- a) Emergency response to fires and medical aid emergencies by career and volunteer fire department staff.
- b) Emergency response to all motor vehicle accidents within the fire district.
- c) Mutual aid emergency responses when requested by neighboring jurisdictions.
- d) Response to requests for public assistance.
- e) Public Education classes in the local elementary schools and other locations.

- f) Hazardous Materials “Operations” level emergency response, coordinated with the either the Vancouver Fire Department or the Washington State Patrol Haz-Mat response team.
- g) Assist the Clark County Fire Marshal’s Office with the investigation of fires within the fire district.

### **Response Objectives**

*Turnout Time* is a measurement of the elapsed time from dispatch to an incident and apparatus responding to the incident:

- 1. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a turnout time objective of seventy-five (75) seconds, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.

*Response Time* is a measurement of the elapsed time beginning with dispatch to the incident and ending with the arrival on the scene of the incident. This includes the Turnout Time.

- 1. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of six (6) minutes for the arrival of the first engine company to a fire suppression incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.
- 2. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of nine (9) minutes for the arrival of the full complement of a 1st alarm response to a fire suppression incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.
- 3. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of six (6) minutes for the arrival of the first emergency medical unit with appropriately trained personnel on board to an emergency medical incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.
- 4. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of nine (9) minutes for the arrival of an advanced life support unit with appropriately trained personnel (paramedics) on board to an ALS emergency medical incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.
- 5. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of nine (9) minutes for the arrival of the first unit with personnel trained at the Technical Rescue Operations level to a technical rescue incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.
- 6. Clark County Fire District #6 adopts a response/travel time objective of thirty (30) minutes for the arrival of a sufficient number of appropriately trained and equipped Technical Rescue Technicians to perform operations at a technical rescue incident, which the department should meet ninety percent (90%) of the time.