



# POLICY MANUAL

## Emergency Operations Policy

### Earthquake Procedures

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6.0 Purpose: Establish Procedures in the Event of an Earthquake.

6.01 Scope: All Fire Department Employees.

#### 6.02 **REMOVAL OF APPARATUS**

Upon first indication of an earthquake, all equipment shall be removed from the stations and placed in the safest area possible, taking into consideration the possibility of falling debris and/or wires.

#### 6.03 **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Company Officer shall establish communications with Dispatch Center and other fire stations, assessing the situations and recalling manpower as necessary.

#### 6.04 **DETERMINATION OF DAMAGE**

- A. When conditions warrant, units shall proceed through their respective districts to evaluate damage and take whatever action is deemed necessary.
- B. Conditions that would make normal procedures impossible to accomplish shall be relayed to the Dispatch Center and the Duty Chief.

#### 6.05 **EMERGENCY PLAN**

The Battalion Chief shall determine the need for activating City Emergency Plan.