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A-12 **TRAINING STATUS**

Definition: Training Status for the purpose of this policy shall mean the resource is not available for immediate dispatch.

In order to assure maximum availability of Fire Department resources, the following guidelines will be followed:

Fire Department resources will go into training status when scheduled for color group training at TOTF or other training that has been coordinated on a zone-wide basis. This can be accomplished by notifying Heartland Dispatch via Zone 3A talkgroup or by telephone. Information relayed to dispatch should include estimated length of training commitment.

Any Department that wishes to designate any equipment as training status for reasons other than those previously scheduled as above, should take into consideration District and Zone Coverage. Duty Chiefs of neighboring jurisdictions should be contacted to coordinate and ensure coverage is available.

If for any reason the neighboring jurisdiction is unable to provide coverage, the agency will be responsible for providing coverage for their own training status equipment.

Agencies should avoid placing units into training status during the following conditions:

- Lack of coverage available to cover the appropriate area.
- High incident activity or large commitment of resources in the Zone.
- Conditions that would indicate increased call volume (Critical Weather, Large Events, etc.)

Company officer shall notify Heartland Dispatch when unit is off training status and available for immediate dispatch.

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