



# CLAY FIRE

## Proper Radio Traffic



- Marking on scene—only 1st Engine and Chief Mark on scene with dispatch—all other companies—LEVEL 1 STAGE—await orders—dispatch should not answer LEVEL 1 Companies - DO NOT ASK COMMAND FOR ASSIGNMENTS WHILE EN ROUTE OR WHERE THEY WANT YOUR WATER, APPARATUS, ETC.
- SWITCH TO FIREGROUND AS SOON AS DISPATCH ASSIGNS THE CHANNEL—NOT ONCE YOU ARRIVE ON SCENE
- DOWNGRADES & DISREGARDS GO THROUGH DISPATCH
- KEEP IT SHORT AND SWEET—terms such as Released by Command or other unnecessary traffic is not needed

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### Order Model:

1. Sender contacts receiver
2. Receiver states readiness to receive
3. Sender transmits message/order
4. Receiver briefly restates message to confirm understanding the message

Properly following the Order Model will reduce the overall amount of radio traffic, enhance the accountability process and it will prevent; deployment mistakes, directional mistakes and freelancing

Command Function # 3 – Communications Overview

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The Initial Radio Report must include:

- Clear Alarm, announce your arrival on the scene
- Building/area description
- Describe the problem
- Action being taken – Initial I.A.P.
- Declaration of the Strategy
- Assuming and Naming of Command

Let's look at each of the elements in detail

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### Initial Radio Reporting



- Building/area description**
  - Size
  - Height
  - Occupancy Type
- Describe the problem**
  - Smoke/Fire Conditions
  - Location
- Initial I.A.P.**
  - Task(s)
  - Location
  - Objective(s)
- Declaration of the Strategy**
  - Offensive
  - Defensive
- Assume/Name Command**

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Progress Reports to Command or SDG Officers should be structured in the form of a C.A.N. report.

Conditions	Actions	Needs
Where you are	A/C progress	Reinforcement
Any obstacles	F/C progress	Relief
Smoke conditions	Can't find the fire	Support work
Int. visibility	Checking for ext.	Tools or Equip
Fire conditions	Concealed space info	Cover other areas
Heat conditions	PAR's	Urgent help
Interior layout	All Clears	
Fire separation	Under Controls	
Fuel loads	Loss stopped	
What's burning		
What's not burning		

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### Result of the 360 should include

- The number of Stories from the rear
- Basement Type if Known
- Problem and location (if different from IRR)
- Any immediate life safety/rescue issues
- Any other hazards noted on Charlie side, i.e.; utilities down or exposed, dogs, pools

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### The Initial Roof Report should include :

- Type of Roof (peaked, flat, etc)
- Condition of Roof (stable, unstable)
- Fire or Smoke conditions
- Location of any Firewalls
- Heavy Roof Loads (if present)
- Conditions in the Attic (if known)
- Basic Blueprint of Building if unusual
- Action being taken

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